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RAILWAYS' MOVE TO LOWER WAGES

President Roosevelt Urges Importance of Securing Mediation

OFFICERS ARE AVAILABLE

Letter Provoked by Charge Levelled at Federal and State Laws

Washington, Feb. 19.—Serious industrial disputes in prospect were in the mind of President Roosevelt when he wrote a letter to the interstate commerce commission yesterday, which was made public today. The president's letter follows:

White House, Washington, D. C., Feb. 18, 1908.

To the Interstate Commerce Commission—I am informed that a number of railroad companies have served notice of a proposed reduction of wages on their employees. One of these, the Louisville & Nashville, in announcing the reduction, states that the drastic laws inimical to the interests of the railways which have in the past year or two been enacted by congress and the state legislatures are largely responsible or chiefly responsible for the conditions requiring the reductions.

To the public may soon be confronted by serious industrial disputes, and the law provides that in such cases either party may demand the services of your chairman, and of the commissioner of labor as a board of mediation and conciliation.

These reductions in wages may be warranted, or they may not. As to this the public, which is a vitally interested party, can form no judgment without a more complete knowledge of the essential facts and the real merits of the case than it now has, or than it can possibly obtain from the special pleadings certain to be put forth by each side in case their disputes should bring about serious interruptions to traffic.

If the reduction in wages is due to natural causes, the loss being such that the burden should be, and is, equitably distributed between capitalist and wage worker, the public should know it. If it is caused by legislation, the public and congress should know it, and if it is caused by misconduct in the past of the financial or other operations of any railroad, then everybody should know it, especially if the excuse of unfriendly legislation is advanced as a method of covering up past business misconduct by the railroad managers, or as a justification for failure to treat fairly the wage-earning employees of the company. Moreover, any industrial conflict between a railroad corporation and its employees offers peculiar opportunities to a small number of evil-disposed persons to destroy life and property and foment public disorder.

Of course, if life, property and public order are endangered, prompt and drastic measures for their protection becomes the first plain duty. All other issues then become subordinate to the preservation of the public peace, and the real merits of the controversy are necessarily lost from view. This vital consideration should be ever kept in mind by all law-abiding and fair-minded members of labor organizations. It is sincerely to be hoped, therefore, that any wage controversy that may arise between the railroads and their employees may find a peaceful solution through the methods of conciliation and arbitration already provided by congress, which have proven so effective during the past year. To this end the commission should be in a position to have available for any board of conciliation of arbitration relevant data pertaining to such carriers as may become involved in industrial disputes. Should conciliation fail to effect a settlement and arbitration be rejected, accurate information should be available in order to develop properly informed public opinion.

SHARP PRACTICE IN CALDWELL CASE

Commissioner Alexander Indignant Over Trick Played Upon Him

New York, Feb. 19.—The commitment of Robert Caldwell to a state insane asylum while he was under bail to appear before United States Commissioner Alexander to answer to a charge of perjury brought against him by the British government was the subject of some sharp questions by the commissioner when the case came before him today. Caldwell was the witness in the famous Druce-Duke of Portland case who testified that he knew Druce as the Duke of Portland. His counsel, W. C. Cobell, informed Commissioner Alexander today that his client had been committed to an insane asylum by an order of a justice of New York state supreme court. The counsel for the British government stated that they were not informed that Caldwell was to be placed in an asylum, and that Caldwell's previous failure to appear before the commissioner to answer to the charge of perjury had been attributed to physical disability only, without any mention of mental trouble.

"Did you not come to me and ask about the federal procedure for committing an insane person before Caldwell landed in this country before the commissioner?" "You must have had this matter in view before he landed. Never again will a man arraigned before me for extradition be admitted to bail."

Counsel for the British government was asked what action his client would take to secure possession of Caldwell, but he replied that he would need an adjournment of two weeks to ascertain the wishes of Great Britain. The hearing was postponed until March 4.

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I therefore ask you to make such investigation, both of your records and by any other means at your command which will enable you to furnish data concerning such conditions obtaining on the Louisville and Nashville and other roads as may relate, directly or indirectly, to the real merits of the possible controversy. (Signed) Theodore Roosevelt.

DAYLIGHT ROBBERY

Remarkable Exploit of Desperados in New Orleans—Diamonds Worth \$50,000 Taken

New Orleans, Feb. 19.—A \$50,000 diamond robbery in broad daylight in the heart of New Orleans, with hundreds of persons passing at the time, was perpetrated here this afternoon at the jewelry establishment of M. Waldhorn & Co., Royal street.

Two men drove up in front of the store in a buggy. One of them alighted and smashed one of the large plate-glass windows in the front of the store. He seized two trays filled with diamonds and jumped into the buggy, which was driven off. A large crowd started in pursuit, but the men, buggy and horse were soon lost to sight in a cloud of dust in the old French quarter.

The proprietors of the jewelry store say the tray contained 112 diamond rings.

Bank's Reorganization.

Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 19.—W. B. Ridgeley, comptroller of the currency, arrived here today to discuss with the stockholders of the failed National Bank of Commerce, plans for its reorganization tomorrow. The stockholders will choose directors, who subsequently will elect a new president. Mr. Ridgeley has been asked to assume the direction of the reorganized bank, but has persistently said that he has no intention of leaving his present office.

COMMONS DEALS WITH TOLL ROADS

Time Taken Up With Question That Troubles Island of Montreal

CABINET AND NATAL ACT

A Proposed Appropriation of \$300,000 to Save Quebec Battlefields

Ottawa, Feb. 19.—Almost the whole of today's short sitting of the house was occupied by a discussion in regard to the removal of the toll roads on the island of Montreal, brought on by Mr. Monk, who had a motion to the effect that the government should enter into negotiations with the Quebec government to this end. The Dominion government owns most of the bonds issued for the construction of the roads in question.

The discussion was carried mainly in French, and by Quebec members, and an amusing complication arose when Mr. Lemieux was addressing the house. He wandered off into a discussion of the Caughnawaga Indians when Mr. Monk rose to a point of order. The speaker was not able to follow the argument, but Mr. Lemieux relieved him of an awkward situation by abandonment of the point.

Sir Wilfrid moved an amendment that it was the duty of the federal government merely to receive any overtures that the provincial government might make, and this was finally adopted by a vote of 108 to 13, most of the members being ignorant of the merits of the question.

Col. Ward, of Durham, moved for papers regarding the conviction of Frederick Blonden for cattle stealing at Macleod, Alta., in 1904. Mr. Ward said this was clearly a miscarriage of justice, evidence having come to the possession of the Northwest Mounted Police that the man was innocent. A pardon was not asked, but a new trial. Mr. Aylesworth consented to bring down any papers not of a confidential nature.

In the senate Hon. Mr. Turgeon told Senator Loughheed that the British Columbia Natal act had not been dealt with yet by the government.

Senator D. C. Davis has given notice of a resolution in favor of the enlargement of the railway commission, and that telegraphs should also be placed under their supervision.

Senator Power gives notice of an amendment to Mr. Lancaster's railway crossing bill, which declares that no train shall pass a crossing in thickly settled portions of towns or villages at over ten miles an hour unless such crossing is constructed and protected in accordance with the directions of the railway commission.

The Dominion government will ask parliament to make a grant of \$300,000 towards Earl Grey's plan for the preservation of the Quebec battlefields. Sir Wilfrid Laurier will move a resolution to appropriate the amount on Friday, "towards the preservation of the historic battlefields of Quebec in connection with the tercentenary of the said city of Quebec." This practically assures \$400,000, as the provincial government will give \$100,000.

BLIZZARD SCOURGES NORTHERN NEW YORK

Railroad Trains Delayed and Traffic Generally Hampered

Plattsburgh, N.Y., Feb. 19.—A severe northwest storm is tearing across northern New York, and rapidly adding inches to the layer of snow that covers the whole Adirondack region. Reports from Clinton county as far west as Malone and south into Essex county tell of heavy snowfalls and strong winds that have made country roads in many places impassable and delayed railway traffic.

Saratoga, N.Y., Feb. 19.—The worst blizzard of the winter is raging across the "snow belt" tonight. For fifty miles north and south the snow has fallen steadily throughout the day, and late tonight the storm gave no indications of lessening. All railroad trains in the town were delayed and the interurban trolley traffic practically at a standstill by evening.

INTERNATIONAL CLAIMS

Treaty Providing For British And American Joint Commission is Drawn Up

Washington, Feb. 19.—A treaty providing for a joint commission to adjudicate what are termed minor claims between the American and British governments, as well as between citizens of each country, has been drafted, passed upon by the state department, and delivered to Ambassador Bryce for the consideration of his government. It was explained today that it was the intention to provide for the disposal only of existing claims and not such as may arise in the future.

Officers of Farmer's Bank.

Toronto, Feb. 19.—Dr. Beattie Nesbitt, at the meeting of the Farmers' Bank today, retired from the presidency, and the directors immediately met and appointed Col. James Munro president, John Gilchrist, vice-president, and W. R. Travers, general manager.

China's Progress.

Dunkirk, N. Y., Feb. 19.—William Martin, United States consul at Hankow, China, arrived in Dunkirk, his former home, today. He will report at Washington next week. Mr. Martin will return to China next June. China, he says, is rapidly becoming modernized, and two decades will see it one of the greatest countries of the world, commercially and from other standpoints. China is forming a modern army and planning to build up a modern navy. Mr. Martin believes there is not the slightest danger of a clash between China and Japan over the Manchurian question.

LIQUOR REGULATION

Premier Roblin of Manitoba Makes Promise of Further Restrictive Measures

Winnipeg, Feb. 19.—Further extension of local option and the abolition of the bar were the chief features of the demands made upon the government this morning by a large deputation, comprising many representatives of churches and public bodies in Winnipeg and throughout the province. When Premier Roblin forecasted vigorous measures to anticipate the sentiment of the province on bar regulation, he was cheered vociferously by those present. Crowded galleries and hundreds of citizens packed into the legislative chamber, bore testimony to the deep interest with which the subject is regarded by the general public. The great majority, not only of the government, but also of the legislature, were present.

Winnipeg Business Tax.

Winnipeg, Feb. 19.—Retail merchants throughout the city are very highly pleased at the decision of the law amendments committee of the legislature, which last night decided to abolish the system of business taxation prevailing last year, and to replace it with the system which was in vogue previous to that time. The change practically means that the business tax assessment for 1908 will be made on the same basis as in 1907, and will result in considerable reductions from last year's figures for the retail merchants of this city.

Engineer at Winnipeg.

Winnipeg, Feb. 19.—W. A. Astley, formerly engineer at Dawson City, has been appointed assistant city engineer here.

WOMAN SUFFRAGE IN NEW YORK STATE

Arguments For and Against Proposed Amendment to Constitution

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 19.—Women of all ages, sizes, complexions and degree of millinery and dressmaking display mingled with racetrack followers, ministers, politicians and the generally curious about the legislative corridors today to attend the hearing on the proposed constitutional amendment which would strike the limiting word "male" from the constitutional provision regarding the right to vote.

This hearing vied in interest with that on racetrack bills, and was held in the senate chamber, while the racing question was being threshed out in the assembly chamber.

The suffragists by no means had it all their own way, for strong delegations of women from all parts of the state were present in opposition to the woman suffragist proposition. Later in the afternoon the women of both sides crowded the executive chamber to present their arguments pro and con to Governor Hughes.

The arguments were practically the same as those which have been presented for several years past. The supporters of the bill argued in favor of giving the women a voice in elections and abolishing taxation without representation, while those opposed contended that there was no great demand for woman suffrage and that women had sufficient duties already without burdening them with those of politics.

GYPSIES IN COURT

Members of Stanley Tribe Charged With Stealing Bag of Money And Jewels

New York, Feb. 19.—Scores of gaily clad Gypsies crowded into Justice Dowling's court in general sessions today, when four of the members of the Stanley Gypsies were put on trial charged with grand larceny and robbery. The complainants were members of the Pearce camp, a rival Gypsy tribe. The robbery is alleged to have occurred on the night of December 26 last, when the two tribes were in camp near each other in the Bronx. It appears that the two tribes had been at odds for some time, but that a temporary truce was declared to permit a joint celebration of an engagement to marry which had been entered into by two youthful members of the rival bands.

During the celebration a bag said to contain money and jewels valued at \$15,000 disappeared from the Pearce tent, and several members of the Stanley tribe were arrested and later indicted. The principal witness today was 8-year-old Peter Martin, of the Pearce tribe. When objection was made to the little fellow appearing as a witness on the ground that he was not old enough to realize the nature of an oath, Peter was questioned by Justice Dowling.

"I know what it means," said Peter. "It means that if I tell the truth I will go to God, and if I tell a lie I will go to hell."

Peter said that on the night of the robbery, while the others were outside taking part in the celebration, he and his sister were in the tent. During the evening he heard a rippling sound, and looking around saw a large knife slicing through the tent. A great cut was made, he said, and Richard Stanley entered the tent, reached under a cot where the bag of valuables lay, took them out and passed them to Mitchell, who stood just outside the tent.

The boy said that while he was frightened at first, he went out and saw the four going away with the bag.

Queen Pipa Pearce said the bag of money and jewels had been shown to members of the Stanley tribe the day before the robbery.

Doctor Found Dead.

Port Arthur, Ont., Feb. 19.—Dr. Pringle, C. P. R. doctor at Schreiber, was found dead in bed.

TALK ABOUT WAR ALL MOONSHINE

Ambassador Reid Sets Forth Situation at Banquet of Pilgrims

BLAMES SENSATIONALISTS

Dwells on True Meaning of the Treaty Between Britain and Japan

New York, Feb. 19.—The prophetic utterances tonight of Whitelaw Reid, American ambassador, to England, who sees in the future a strengthening of the ties that bind his own country to the nation to which he is accredited, and a vanishing of the Japanese war bugaboo, aroused the Pilgrims of the United States to high pitch of enthusiasm at Delmonico's banquet hall. Just returned from Washington and about to sail for England, Ambassador Reid's words, carefully chosen and delivered with impressive deliberation, took on a significance that strongly moved the four hundred diners whose guest he was. Having ridiculed the suggestion that war between the United States and Japan was within the range of possibility, the ambassador departed from his prepared speech to add: "So far as the knowledge and belief of the officers of the diplomatic service extends, there is absolutely nothing in it."

The ambassador enlarged upon the mutual interests of Great Britain and the United States, and pointed out that there was nothing in the Great Britain-Japan treaty inconsistent with a still closer understanding between this and the mother country. Toasts to the president of the United States and to the king of England were offered. British Ambassador Bryce, who is in Canada, was remembered in a toast to "absent friends." Response for him was made by Esme Howard, councillor of the British embassy.

John H. Choate, former ambassador to England, presided.

Much of the fun of the evening was furnished by Mark Twain. Mr. Clemens said that he was gratified that congress was about to restore to the gold coinage the words "In God We Trust." He continued: "I knew that we would get into difficulty if we left those words off and a straightway trouble came. The property of the whole nation went down in a pile when we ceased to trust God in that conspicuous and well advertised way. If Pierpont Morgan had not stepped in just then—Now that we have resumed our tribute to God we will discharge Mr. Morgan from the high office of honor."

Messages from President Roosevelt, Vice-President Fairbanks, Secretary Root and Governor Hughes were read.

Ambassador Reid said:

"The work of this society and of its London twin is the same, and it is a work worthy the great name they have both invoked. The old Pilgrims under whose title you serve went out to lay foundations of a larger liberty and a better civilization."

"You Pilgrims of today, co-operate with your colleagues in the motherland for the same great end, for peace, harmonious relations, more intimate intercourse and progress among all the English-speaking peoples as they carry liberty and advance civilization around the world."

You probably know already, but still the assurance will not be unwelcome, that everything in the relations between the two countries is now substantially as you would have it. The oldest outstanding source of irritation between the two countries, a danger of a century and a quarter, is in the course of peaceful adjustment. In spite of the late declaration in the conference of colonial premiers, that there was nothing in the fishery question that could properly be referred to arbitration, the two countries upon the proposal of the United States have agreed to refer our differences about it to The Hague tribunal.

"In thus dwelling on our peaceful and cordial relations, I am not forgetting the nonsense you have read in the sensational press about the obligations of Great Britain to sustain Japan in war against the United States. If all that ignorant and foolish talk were not mischievous you might dismiss it as merely another bit of yellow moonshine. For, first, there is no war, and not the ghost of a probability of war with Japan, any more than there is of war with Russia or Thibet or with Paraguay or Patagonia. We have every reason to think the Japanese are sincerely our friends as we are theirs. If they are not, there is one thing you may be sure about—they certainly are not fools, and you have to think them entirely without common sense before you can imagine them capable of seeking war with a powerful and friendly nation half way round the globe, absolutely without a grievance or a motive."

And secondly, the treaty between Great Britain and Japan simply provides that in case of aggression on Japan's recognized territory rights in the East, Great Britain would sustain her. Now what grown man outside of a lunatic asylum dreams that we have a hunger for more land that we are going to cross the Pacific and try to rob one of our oldest and truest friends in the Farther East the very land we introduced to the western world, and to which we certainly tried to be useful in helping to bring the late lamentable struggle to a close. You are right, no doubt, to blame the sensational press for its unpatriotic policy to make halfpennies by making and spreading the mischievous folly. But I beg of you to be just, and blame

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NEW MEASURES ARE INTRODUCED

The Bill Provides for Provincial Parks and Appointment of Park Board

OPPOSE SUPERANNUATION

John Jardine Takes Exception to Important Portion of the Civil Service Bill

Several public measures of considerable importance were introduced at the sitting of the legislature yesterday afternoon. Chief amongst these was a bill to provide for the maintenance of provincial parks and the constitution of a parks board to control them. The measure was brought down by special message and was introduced by Hon. P. Carter-Cotton, president of the council.

A bill to consolidate and amend the laws affecting crown lands was introduced by the chief commissioner and given its first reading also. Several railway bills were advanced, amongst them the Crow's Nest and Northern Railway bill and the Eastern British Columbia Railway bill. To the former were added an amendment with regard to the employment of aliens and a fair wage clause, and the bill read a third time and passed. One or two changes were made to the latter in committee. The capital was reduced from \$2,000,000 to \$750,000 and the provisions regarding the bonds to be placed with the finance minister in guarantee that the company will fulfill its engagements were modified.

The debate upon the civil service bill was resumed by John Jardine, Esq. Mr. Jardine took exception to the superannuation proposals contained in the bill on the ground that it savored of class legislation. He suggested that the government should withdraw that portion of the measure and introduced an amendment to that effect.

Mr. Jardine expressed himself as willing to support a measure which would provide a monthly pension of \$30 to both men and women of 57 years or over whose yearly income during life had not exceeded \$700. It is unlikely that the budget will be brought down before Monday. Today the report of J. P. Babcock, fishery commissioner, will be presented to the house by the attorney-general. The speaker took the chair at 2:30 o'clock. Prayers by Rev. H. A. Carson.

Crow's Nest and Northern

On further consideration of the bill to incorporate the Crow's Nest and Northern railway company Mr. Ross moved, that the following new sections be inserted in the bill:

23. That no aliens shall be employed on the railway during construction unless it is demonstrated to the satisfaction of the lieutenant governor in council that the work cannot be proceeded with without the employment of such aliens.

24. That the workmen, laborers or servants employed in or about the construction and operation of the railway shall be paid such rate of wages as may be currently payable to white workmen, laborers and servants engaged in similar operations in the district in which such railway is constructed and operated.

Say it is Useless

Mr. Hawthorthwaite remarked, that the proposal as concerned aliens was valueless.

Mr. Oliver held that such legislation had been declared unconstitutional by the privy council. The motion was carried, and the bill as amended was reported read the third time, and passed.

Dominion Trust Company

The bill respecting the Dominion Trust company, on motion of Dr. McGuire, Vancouver, was reported and will be read the third time this afternoon.

Eastern B. C. Line

On the bill to incorporate the eastern British Columbia Railway company being taken up Mr. Ross proposed to substitute for section 3, the following section:

3. The company may lay out, construct and operate a railway of the gauge of four feet eight and one-half inches from a point on the south fork of Michel creek, at or near the point known as "The Loop," on the Crow's Nest branch of the western division of the Canadian Pacific railway; hence running in a southerly direction up the said creek to the mouth of the east fork of said creek; thence up east fork of said south fork in an easterly and southerly direction to a point in the southerly boundary of lot 6,999, Group One, Kootenay district, a distance of fourteen miles, more or less; provided that nothing in this act or in the railway act contained shall be deemed to authorize the company to build any branch line to any point nearer the International boundary than the southern boundary of said lot 6,999.

Agreement Reached.

This clause has been agreed upon, he added, by the various conflicting interests which appeared before the railway committee, and whose contentions have occupied the attention of its members for some time past. And as this arrangement is the result of a mutual agreement, and, I may say, that I now hold in my hands the agreement which is signed by all the parties concerned, I hope that the members of the house will consent to its passage without opposition.

Mr. Hawthorthwaite enquired the reason for what he termed this extraordinary change in the whole tenor of the bill, and asked for an explanation, in order that the members might be absolutely satisfied in respect to what was in the meantime taken place. The members of the railway committee had been almost pestered to death in relation to this whole business, and it was their duty to find out exactly what had occurred.

Mr. Ross: I did not previously offer an explanation to the house in regard to the issue of the contest which has been waged in connection with the consideration of this bill before the members of the railway committee, simply because I wished to save as much of the time of the committee as possible, although it seems to me that in the circumstances it was quite sufficient to say that the warring elements which were engaged in this dispute were satisfied. I do not say that the agreement which has been reached in this case is at all satisfactory to the parties who are the applicants for the charter, or the residents of the district; but in the circumstances it has been considered advisable to submit to a compromise.

The understanding at which the contending parties have arrived is, in brief, this: That instead of getting a charter authorizing the construction of some fifty miles of railroad, the promoters of this bill must remain content with the privilege of being able to build fourteen miles, and this is practically everything that is contained in this agreement. We have felt ourselves obliged to remain satisfied with this compromise of our plans, and rather than take the chances of having the bill defeated in the house, while in committee, the promoters of this bill, who are really anxious to construct a railway, at any rate for that distance, have deemed it after all better policy to submit to this restriction than press for and imperil the whole bill. I do not know that I need say more, and would not have said this much had it not been for the hon. member for Nanaimo.

Mr. Hawthorthwaite said that as this was practically a new bill, it was their duty to oppose it. These deals should be arranged outside of the house.

Mr. McPhillips Agrees.

Mr. McPhillips: As I understand that this agreement is a compromise, the approval of the holders of the present charter, I merely wish to state that I rather disagree with those who are in favor of free trade in railways. I am not an adherent of any such policy, and I believe that this is also the policy of both the Liberal and Conservative parties in this particular. I do not think that anything can be found in this amendment which is in any way contrary to the public interest. Indeed, the public interest may be said to be advantaged, while at the same time the Southeast Kootenay Railway company, which has acquired certain lawful and legislative privileges, will not be unlawfully, if I may use this qualification, exploited out of their legitimate position (hear, hear), and can now feel that they will not be prejudiced in obtaining in the money markets of the world the funds necessary to carry out their undertaking. On the other hand, if this bill had passed through this legislature in the form in which it was introduced and had in that shape become law, I am perfectly satisfied that this house would have done an impetuous wrong, not only to the Southeast Kootenay Railway company, but also to the good faith which should be observed by us in respect to the consideration of similar matters in all other possible cases of a like description, because it could with justice be then said that in such instances, under the circumstances of all of an analogous nature, any charter or any undertaking which was authorized by the legislature of the province of British Columbia was not at any time safe. And all applicants for funds in the money markets of the world would be obliged to admit, if they were truthful, as I submit such people ought at all times to be, that possibly at that very moment the legislature of this province was engaged in the work of authorizing some other company to build a railway in some territory. All line of work would certainly not be in the best interests of this province, as it would demonstrate that this legislature is unmindful of its duty in these important particulars. The obligation is indeed mutual, for while we have undoubtedly the right to insist upon the companies which have acquired charters fairly living up to the statutory requirements which we have imposed, on the other hand, these companies have a perfect right to insist that we shall fairly respect the privileges which we have conferred. And in any case I could most certainly oppose the recognition of any such policy as free trade in railways. (Hear, hear.)

Result in United States

Now, what has been the result of this policy in the United States? Why, it has fastened upon that country the tentacles of that gigantic octopus which is composed of their various and immense railway corporations, which, while they may at times appear to be divided, the one against the other, are as a matter of fact, always closely allied. And hence, it has come about that in that country today it is impossible for people to become interested in railways unless in associations with one of their great railway systems, either the Southern Pacific or the Union Pacific, or the Northern Pacific, or the Great Northern. As we are well aware, the Northern Pacific and the Great Northern are now the same company, while the Southern Pacific is interested in numerous railway enterprises, and they have leagued themselves together in such a manner that nearly all the railways in that extensive country are at the present time, practically under one controlling head (Hear, hear). Such a state of affairs is surely not desirable in Canada, and it should be and should always remain our policy to keep our local companies and our local roads free from the trammels of these great corporations (Hear, hear). In the circumstances however, as it must be assumed, that no actual injury is done to the interests of the S. E. Kootenay Railway company. I do not see how any objection can be well taken to the bill in its altered shape (Hear, hear).

Wanted it Withdrawn

Mr. Hawthorthwaite urged that the bill should be withdrawn and re-introduced, and further complimented the member for the Islands for his defence of the rights of the S. E. Kootenay Railway company.

Cash Deposit

Mr. Ross moved the insertion of the following clauses in lieu of section 21.

21. The company shall, within six months after the coming into force of this act, deposit with the minister of finance and agriculture the sum of five thousand dollars either in cash or securities approved by the minister as security that the company will expend not less than ten thousand dollars in surveys or construction of the railway hereby authorized to be built before the first day of December, A. D. 1908, and in default of such expenditure the aforesaid deposit of money or securities shall be forfeited to and become the property of the government; and should such security not be deposited as aforesaid, or should such expenditure not be made within such time, all the rights and privileges conferred by this act shall be null and void.

This clause he explained, was taken from the railway act, and the reason why he proposed to make this change in the bill was simply this, that while the promoters of this enterprise were quite willing the other day to put up

bonds for \$25,000, as a guarantee of their good faith and their determination to proceed at the earliest possible moment with the undertaking, a considerable change in the condition of affairs had since occurred. As a matter of fact that condition had been imposed by the railway committee; but as a compromise which meant a very considerable curtailment in their plans had been arranged, it became no longer necessary to insist upon so large a bond, and in fact there was no reason whatever why the ordinary and applicable clauses of the Railway act should not be incorporated in this bill. Mr. Williams said he intended to vote against the whole proposition.

Working for Constituency.

Mr. Ross:—I do not think that the many suggestions which have been offered by hon. gentlemen opposite have been proposed with any useful object in view, one way or the other. (Hear, hear) The real aims of these hon. gentlemen is to place me, if they can by any possibility manage to effect their purpose, in an awkward position as regards my relations with my constituents. (Hear, hear). I may say that I have no personal interest whatever in this transaction. (Hear, hear). And that as far as my purely personal interests are concerned, I do not care whether a charter be granted to this railway company or not. I am and have been only working to the best of my ability in the interests of my constituents, and making every endeavor to secure the construction of a new line of railway which will locally be a work of very considerable utility and importance. (Hear, hear).

And there is no reason in the world which can be successfully advanced why the members of the committee should adopt this clause, as every ground for demanding that more stringent conditions should be attached to this proposed charter have now altogether passed away (hear, hear), and it has now, as a matter of fact, merely become a question of complying with the ordinary conditions which fit all ordinary cases. (Hear, hear). If hon. gentlemen opposite imagine that they are going to succeed in a possible effort to make me lose my temper I can assure them that in that they will find themselves to be most egregiously mistaken. (Hear, hear).

Mr. Williams said that they were not to be deterred from their position. Mr. Ross:—I have beaten you twice in Fernie, and I can do it again. (Cheers).

Mr. Williams objected to the change in the conditions.

Mr. Ross:—The other conditions were wholly imposed by the members of the railway committee themselves, and were not suggested in any way by the promoters of the bill, but on being made they were accepted in the fairest possible manner. Now, however, the reasons which induced the committee to formulate those conditions no longer exist, this company is quite entitled to stand in exactly the same position which in ordinary circumstances is occupied by all ordinary companies in like circumstances. (Applause).

The clause was carried.

Reduction in Capital

Mr. Ross then proposed the reduction of the proposed capital stock of the company from two millions to one million dollars; but in consequence of an objection raised by Mr. Oliver, they reduced the figures to \$750,000. The committee arose, and the bill was reported with amendments.

Civil Service Act

On the resumption of the debate on the bill With Respect to the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia and to Make Provision for the Superannuation and Retirement of Persons Employed in such Public Service, John Jardine (Esquimalt) said that the propositions which were placed in this measure with the view of exercising a sort of parental control over the members of the civil service were in many respects very unwise as well as very objectionable; while the proposal to take the sum of \$200,000 out of the consolidated fund in order to assist in the undertaking would form a very dangerous precedent, although he was in complete accord with the principle of superannuation taken in itself.

If the government would not reject the superannuation proposition altogether he would suggest and he would call the attention of the government to the proposal that every man or woman at 67 years of age whose income had not exceeded \$700 per year during life should receive \$30 per month from the consolidated revenue fund.

There were some provisions which he would like to see inserted in the act. One was that but one member of a family should be given employment in the government service. Positions of this nature should be distributed amongst the deserving.

Section 37 of the bill put the situation in a very different light. This was the clause providing that the board of examiners should be appointed by the lieutenant-governor-in-council. He thought that this showed a disposition to bring party influence to bear. He would like to see provision made that the men appointed should be men of independent character who would do their duty in the face of opposition.

Moves Amendment

He thereupon moved, seconded by J. M. Yorston (Cariboo), the following amendment:

"That all the words of the resolution after the first word 'that' be struck out and the following words substituted therefor:

"Whereas bill No. 20 proposes to authorize a payment of \$200,000 from the consolidated revenue fund for the purpose of forming a nucleus of a superannuation fund for the benefit of civil servants; and

"Whereas the said bill No. 20 provides for ample remuneration being paid to civil servants for the services performed by them; and

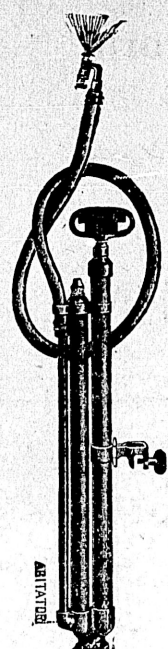
"Whereas civil servants in the employment of the province of British Columbia have the advantage of short hours and perform their duties under most healthy and comfortable conditions; and

"Whereas the monies required to pay the superannuation allowance proposed to be paid to civil servants must necessarily be taken by way of tax from the wealth producing classes, none of which are so well remunerated as the civil servants although earning their living under more onerous conditions; and

"Whereas the \$200,000 proposed to be set aside by the terms of the bill for the benefit of civil servants could be expended much more advantageously by the construction of roads, trails and bridges or by extending the benefits of the public school system, or by remitting to municipalities the personal property tax, now collected within the municipalities or in other ways,

"Therefore be it resolved that bill No. 20 shall be withdrawn and the bill

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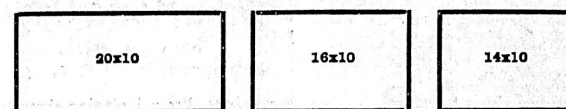
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reintroduced with that portion respecting superannuation expunged."

On the suggestion of Mr. Williams (Newcastle), who pointed out that members would be in a better position to discuss this amendment if it were placed on the order paper, the debate was further adjourned.

Railway Assessment Act.

The bill further to amend the Railway Assessment act being re-committed, Hon. Mr. Tatlow proposed the insertion of an amendment in section 2 to give hotels on the railway right of way the benefit of reduction made last session of the tax upon realty. This did not apply to railways and the member for Yale (Mr. Henderson) pointed out that property, hotels built on railway property should benefit by it.

New Bills

Bills to provide for the maintenance of provincial parks, and to amend and consolidate laws affecting crown lands were transmitted by message from the lieutenant-governor passed through committee of the whole house, and read the first time.

Bills Reported.

The bills amending the Bush Fire act, and incorporating the Vancouver and Nicola Valley railway company were passed through committee of the whole house, and reported.

First Readings.

The following bills were read the first time:
An Act to Amend the Provincial Home Act; Mr. Macdonald.
An Act to Amend the Bills of Sale Act; Hon. Mr. Bowser.
An Act to Amend the Jurors Act; Hon. Mr. Bowser.

An Act to Amend the Interpretation Act; Hon. Mr. Fulton.

Order of House.

On motion of Mr. Oliver (Delta) an order of the house was granted for a return of a copy of the "Bulletin" for the writing of which P. I. Clarke has been paid the sum of \$200 in connection with the Salvation Army immigration work.

Mr. Oliver's Question.

In reply to Mr. Oliver, Hon. Mr. McBride said:
"An order in council, setting forth the resolution of the house, passed on April 16, 1907, re freight and passenger rates, was transmitted by his honor the lieutenant-governor to the Dominion government, through the honorable the secretary of state, Ottawa, April 17, 1907. An acknowledgment, dated April 23, 1907, was received by his honor from the honorable the secretary of state."

"The matter was also set out by the honorable the provincial secretary in a letter dated April 17, 1907, to the board of railway commissioners of Canada, Ottawa, and an acknowledgment, dated April 23, 1907, was received from A. D. Cartwright, secretary to the commission."

Mr. Kergin enquired: 1. For how much of the 25,645 acres surveyed by A. W. Harvey in the Klappan valley had applications for purchase been made previous to survey? 2. For how many years had applications for pre-emption been made previous to survey? 3. How many acres were available for pre-emption after completion of survey? 4. Will the applicants to purchase unsurveyed lands, which have

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UNUSUAL SCENE IN THE FULL COURT

A Question as to the Constitution of the Court of Appeal

An unprecedented scene was enacted in the full courtroom yesterday morning, when four judges appeared to hear the appeal in the case of *Hunting vs. Macadam*. A rumor had been freely circulated that Mr. Justice Martin believed it was his duty to sit on the appeal in question, and the courtroom was crowded with members of the bar, as well as a sprinkling of the general public. Mr. Justice Irving came in, accompanied by Mr. Justice Martin, Mr. Justice Morrison and Mr. Justice Clement, and an excited whisper ran round the room when it was seen that there were four judges present instead of three, the number prescribed by the rules for the hearing of appeals. The counsel in the case at bar were Sir Hibbert Tupper, K. C., and E. P. Davis, K. C., for the appellants, and Joseph Martin, K. C., for the respondents. The case is an appeal from a decision of the Chief Justice.

The trouble arose out of the interpretation and application of supreme court rule 1043 which provides that it shall be the duty of the Chief Justice to assign the judges to their work, a rule which Mr. Justice Martin has interpreted as meaning that an assignment made thereunder is irrevocable. It appears that his lordship had originally been assigned to sit on the appeal in question, but that his assignment had subsequently been revoked and Mr. Justice Morrison deputized in his place. The latter judge also considered his assignment valid, there being no question about the assignment of the other two judges. The situation gave rise to a somewhat unusual discussion, which lasted for an hour. The court then adjourned until 2:15, and upon its reassembling Mr. Justice Martin retired from the case, for reasons which are given below, and the case proceeded.

Depute Precipitated.

Shortly after the case was called Mr. Justice Irving announced to the registrar that the following judges constituted the court: Messrs. Justices Morrison, Clement and himself. To this Mr. Justice Martin immediately took objection, saying that the court was not and could not be so constituted. The judges originally assigned were Justices Irving, Clement and himself, and, once constituted, the court could not be reconstituted. He read his assignment, which was dated in November of last year, as well as the following extract from a letter written by the Chief Justice to the registrar, dated August 8, 1907, which had been communicated to him:

"Moreover, before the last sittings of the full court, after consultation with the other three judges, it was considered that the preferable plan to adopt was that Mr. Justice Martin should be called in to sit in every appeal from myself, and that we should not sit together on any appeal."

(Signed) GORDON HUNTER.

For some reason unknown to himself, and which had not been communicated to him, the appeal in *Hunting vs. Macadam* had been postponed. He had received in December of the registrar a notice of the cases transferred to the Victoria sittings, and again a second notice from the same source that it had been put down for the present special sitting of the full court. His lordship added that he had been waiting for this appeal, and the special sittings began, with the result that he had been unable to take the court sittings at Rossland and Nelson.

Mr. Justice Morrison remarked here that he had been duly assigned to hear the present appeal.

Sir Hibbert Tupper's Stand.

Sir Hibbert Tupper, K. C., informed the court that his position as counsel for the appellants was one of considerable embarrassment. The rule provided that the court of appeals in such cases should consist of three judges. Thus, without risking his client's interests, he could only look upon three judges as constituting the court, and he gathered from what Mr. Justice Martin had said that he intended to sit.

His lordship said that that was not a fair way of putting it. His position was that it was his bounden duty to sit, having once been assigned, and that he was but doing his duty.

Sir Hibbert Tupper—Our information is that Mr. Justice Martin is not entitled to sit on the appeal. We have been officially informed that only three judges have been assigned to sit on this appeal and that these three judges are those announced by Mr. Justice Irving. Counsel then read the following memorandum, which he had been given by the registrar:

"Law Courts, Victoria, B. C., February 17, 1908.

"Memorandum for the Registrar of the Supreme Court.

(Hunting vs. Macadam)

"Having been informed by Mr. Justice Martin by letter received today that he intended to sit on the above appeal by virtue of an assignment given him for the November sittings of the full court at Vancouver, notwithstanding the cancellation of that assignment by a direction in writing dated November 27 to hold the Kootenay sittings on December 1, I have written notice given him by letter of January 22 that the other four judges would hold the present special sittings commencing February 11, and that he was assigned to hold the Nelson sittings on the 25th of February. This I formally notify you that Mr. Justice Martin is not assigned to sit on the above appeal, and that the court which will hear the appeal is composed of Mr. Justice Irving, Mr. Justice Morrison and Mr. Justice Clement."

You will hand a copy of this memorandum to each of the other judges, including Mr. Justice Martin, the honorable the attorney-general and the counsel engaged in the appeal, for their information.

"G. HUNTER, C. J."

Could Only Recognize Three.

"The result is," resumed Sir Hibbert, "that there is no other course open to us than to recognize only the three judges mentioned, and we must press for a formal ruling of the court that those three judges are the judges properly assigned and that they constitute the court of appeal in this case."

Mr. Justice Irving—in my opinion the court properly constituted to hear this appeal consists of myself, Mr. Justice Morrison and Mr. Justice Clement. The original assignment to which my brother Martin refers contains the footnote, "Subject to change." Since then he has received other instructions from the Chief Justice and is not now assigned to sit on this case.

Mr. Justice Morrison—it seems to me either the court is properly constituted or it is not, and that our ruling will not affect the matter.

Sir Hibbert admitted that that was so, but that a decision should be given in order to avoid grave embarrassment, and during the discussion that ensued it was stated that at the question of assignment with which counsel were concerned, but one of the proper constitution of the court.

Mr. Justice Martin said he had hoped that the provincial government would have taken the matter up and have had it settled either before the supreme court of Canada or the privy council. He had asked them to do so, but they had refused. He wanted the matter settled before an impartial tribunal. The present was not an impartial tribunal to settle the matter.

Pressed for Ruling.

Sir Hibbert again pressed for a ruling, and Mr. Justice Irving said he had given his decision. Mr. Justice Morrison stated that he considered his own assignment a valid one and Mr. Justice Clement was proceeding to give his decision when he was interrupted by Mr. Justice Martin, who protested against the matter being decided in this way without a ruling, saying that he had many authorities to adduce, including a decision of the supreme court of the United States. Mr. Justice Clement then proceeded to say that, as he understood it, Mr. Justice Martin's position substantially was that having once taken the oath to a certain duty, the Chief Justice was functus officio. He thought the position was quite untenable. Supposing a judge who had been thus assigned was taken ill, would it be impossible to appoint another judge to take his place? He felt very strongly on the subject.

Mr. Justice Martin held that this did not apply to an irremovable officer. Mr. Justice Irving remarking again that the three judges were assigned as had been stated by him before, Mr. Justice Martin said that Mr. Justice Morrison had only spoken of his own assignment and had expressed no opinion of his. Mr. Justice Martin's right to sit. Mr. Justice Morrison said he had no desire to express an opinion on that point, at which Mr. Justice Martin pointed out that only two judges had decided against him and that the matter must go before the supreme court at Ottawa for decision. Mr. Justice Irving said that the Chief Justice had said that Mr. Justice Martin was not assigned to sit, whereupon Joseph Martin, K. C., took the position that the Chief Justice could not render a decision on the results of his own actions, a remark for which he was thanked by Mr. Justice Martin.

Mr. Davis Reads Rules.

E. P. Davis then read the rules in point, showing that a fourth judge might sit if specially summoned by the Chief Justice.

"What we are interested in," said Mr. Davis, "is to see that the court is properly constituted, and we must have the decision of the court as to whether Mr. Justice Martin has been specially assigned by the Chief Justice to sit on this appeal in addition to the other three judges. The inference from Mr. Justice Morrison's remarks that four judges are to sit on this appeal."

Mr. Justice Morrison reiterated that it was not for him to pass on the question of whether or not Mr. Justice Martin had been specially assigned. "After further discussion, Mr. Justice Morrison said:

"In order to prevent a deadlock and facilitate—"

Mr. Justice Martin: "This is a monstrous thing and I have a right to try and arrest such a judgment." He went on to protest against such a move, being desisted with the argument, as he had done when the other two judges gave their decision.

"In order to prevent a deadlock and to facilitate the work of the court," resumed Mr. Justice Morrison, "I will rule with my brothers Irving and Clement. No one will be prejudiced by my action and the deadlock will be ended. I have some sympathy with my brother Martin's position on the facts as he has stated them. I am here solely to discharge my duty, and I think that this action will relieve Mr. Justice Martin of the responsibility which he feels in connection with this case."

Doesn't See How It Helps

Mr. Justice Martin: "I don't see how this helps me at all. My learned brothers have given judgment without consideration or hearing authorities, and have practically put me off the bench without going into the merits of the case. This matter should not be decided by this court. It is not an independent tribunal; its members are so dominated by the extraordinary powers granted to the chief justice. I regret to have to say these things. I intend to go on sitting here as an enduring protest against these proceedings."

Mr. Justice Irving: "I regret that the attorney-general is not here to hear the language which has been used on this bench."

Sir Hibbert Tupper: "Speaking for the bar, I may say that no such idea has entered the head of any member of the bar, and if such remarks had been made by any barrister the Law society would take the matter up and his gown would be stripped from him."

Mr. Justice Martin regretted the necessity that gave rise to the remarks and said he proposed to continue to sit on the case. Sir Hibbert did not have any objection to this course, as counsel would not consider that he was present in his judicial capacity, but Joseph Martin objected strongly, and finally Mr. Justice Martin suggested that the court adjourn to give him time to consider what action he should take in view of the decision rendered.

Justice Martin Withdraws

Upon reassembling Mr. Justice Martin decided to withdraw, reading the subjoined statement:

Hunting vs. Macadam

On further consideration of this matter I have come to the conclusion that, in view of what passed this morning, particularly the statement of my brother Morrison that his judgment was given as a matter of form (though I have already sufficiently objected to that course), it will not be absolutely necessary for me to insist upon my right to continue to sit in this appeal. I am largely moved to take this course by the possible occurrence of the course of the argument suggested by Mr. Martin, and also by the fact that since my learned brothers have today undertaken to relieve me from the necessity of further attendance upon this court, I shall now be able to expedite legal business elsewhere in this province, which has been repeatedly delayed by the conflicting assignments now before us.

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her, her amiable, cheerful and helpful disposition endearing her to a large circle of friends. The late Miss Baird was a member of the First Presbyterian church, and always took an active interest in the work of that body. She was a native of Pembroke, Ontario, and came to British Columbia about ten years ago with her family. Her father, T. M. Baird, a pioneer of the San Juan district, her brother, S. A. T. M. J. J., and Dr. A. R. Baird, of Pipestone, Manitoba, and her sister, Mrs. (Capt.) John Black, survive her. The funeral will take place on Saturday at 2:30 p. m., from 55 Hillside avenue.

Poet and Philosopher

The old Scotch keeper of the Carlyle house on the Chelsea Embankment still rehearses punctiliously the story of Tennyson's visit to the sage: "In this room it was, sir, that Mr. Carlyle and Mr. Tennyson spent a long evening, each smoking his pipe and neither of them speaking a word. And after three hours, when Mr. Tennyson rose to go, Mr. Carlyle said to him: 'It's a grand event! we've spent, Alfred, a grand evening!' And Mr. Tennyson, he just said, too, 'A grand evening!' and went out."

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The Weekly Irish Times of Dublin has accepted the challenge of the Chicago Sunday Tribune to produce a more beautiful woman than the winner in a recent beauty competition conducted by the American paper. Samuel Martin, a youth, while assisting his father to work a crane on the Belfast docks, suddenly slipped and fell into the water. He was drowned before help could reach him.

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Thursday, 20th Feb.,

At 2:30 p. m. Sharp,

a quantity of household furniture and effects, including: Sideboard, Upholstered Settee, Dinner Wagon, Kitchen Table, Three-quarter Iron Bedstead and Mattress, Baby Buggy, Hoovers, Umbrella Stand, quantity of Kitchen Crockery, Trays, 2 Bicycles, Carpets, 2 Tins of Patna Rice, Enamel Ware, Camera, Tinware, 100 lbs. of Preserving Sugar, Osterman Mattress, and other goods too numerous to mention.

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The following is the result of the library voting contest, which closed February 19, 6 p. m.:

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| Salvation Army | 654,195 |
| Y. M. C. A. | 651,390 |
| Brotherhood of Owls | 535,054 |
| A. O. R. | 237,215 |
| Jubilee Hospital | 22,374 |
| J. B. A. A. | 4,807 |
| St. John's school. | 3,961 |
| I. O. O. F. | 3,497 |
| V. W. O. A. | 3,435 |
| South Park school. | 1,660 |
| St. Ann's convent. | 1,450 |
| Y. W. C. A. | 1,225 |
| Victoria college. | 1,107 |
| Reformed Episcopal S. S. | 1,021 |
| Boys' Central school. | 992 |
| First Presbyterian S. S. | 665 |
| A. O. U. W. | 626 |
| North Ward school. | 605 |
| Nights of Pythias. | 570 |
| Engles of England. | 563 |
| Elks. | 563 |
| Centennial S. S. | 529 |
| W. O. W. | 473 |
| Kingston Street school. | 450 |
| Methodist S. S. | 326 |
| James Bay Methodist S. S. | 320 |
| Baptist S. S. | 320 |
| Sons of England. | 142 |
| St. Joseph's hospital. | 109 |
| St. Barnabas S. S. | 109 |
| Yip Yip club. | 76 |
| Odd Fellows, No. 1. | 24 |
| Old Ladies' home. | 21 |
| Old Men's home. | 21 |

A Queen's Defeat

Queen Wilhelmina, of Holland, is one of the busiest monarchs of Europe and is never happier than when attending to affairs of state. Even as a child she was fond of asserting her authority. One day she sent for a certain minister and announced that she had quarrelled with and dismissed her governess. The minister gravely asked: "When does your majesty wish her to be beheaded? You know it is the custom in Holland to behead all those who are officially disgraced. It will be necessary for your majesty to be present at the execution and—"

Here the child queen abruptly left the apartment and the governess was reinstated at once.

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AN OBJECT LESSON

Tuesday night was the first occasion when the capacity of the Empress Hotel was put to a test as the scene of a public function, and it was found to be too small. From present indications it will be too small to meet the demands of the traveling public, when once its fame becomes spread abroad. There is not a hotel-keeper in town who does not feel that his business will be all the better for this new and incomparable competitor. The need of such a hotel outgrew the plans of its designers before they were able to get the building erected. This has been a surprise to us all, but we will be still more surprised before another year rolls round. Victoria is growing in population and popularity at an unexampled rate. We are not going to say anything to the Canadian Pacific people about enlarging the hotel. That they will do this as soon as they see it is necessary, we may feel quite satisfied. What we want to say something about is the lesson these facts, and some others teach us. When the Princess Victoria only a few years ago came into port from her trip around the Horn, there were many dubious shakings of the head, and people were heard to say things about its being a good thing that the C. P. R. was a rich corporation, or it could not stand the loss it was about to suffer by reason of such an excessively large steamer in the ferry service. There are brief periods in the winter when a smaller boat would accommodate the business, but for the greater part of the year the Princess is hardly big enough, and as we all know she is to have a larger and faster sister. Will some of our readers, who were here seven or eight years ago, take the trouble to recall the days of the Utopia, which used to come wandering into port at all manner of unexpected hours after the time she was supposed to be due? Will those of them who can do so, bring to memory the North Pacific and all that was therein implied? Some of the people who can remember these things, and one need not have been long out of baby clothes to be able to do so, were at the Empress Ball night before last. Some of them said to some others of their number things like this: "This is where the mud flats used to be." "Well, do you realize that you are in Victoria?" This good town is advancing at a pace that would take the breath away from an eastern city, and yet we venture to say that there would not be the least difficulty in going out on the street this morning and finding several people on any block who would tell you that the place is more dead than alive. Some day these pessimists will wake up. The Rip Van Winkle sleep which is on them and under the influence of which they are performing somnambulist feats that make you think they are really awake, will pass away, and they will realize what has been going on in this corner of the world during the last half dozen years.

FUTURE OF CANADA

Mr. John Ewart, K. C., addressed the Montreal Canadian club on the Future of Canada. His speech has been reported in full in a large number of eastern papers, and seems to have produced a marked impression. Briefly stated, he thinks that Canada's future is "independence within the Empire." We quote from the closing part of his remarks:

Independence, however, by no means involves deposition of our King. Edward VII. is as much the King of Canada as of England, and Canadian independence of the colonial office no more involves his deposition here than elsewhere. Independence means merely control of our own affairs. How nearly we already approach that situation I cannot now examine, but if by independence we mean, very generally power to do as we please, we practically have it at the present moment—although various cobweb theories remain sufficiently in evidence to make necessary the word "practically." Very rapidly, moreover, are we being educated to the recognition of our position as defined by the proceedings of the conferences. Even our foreign relations are falling into our own hands, and a trade treaty with France negotiated by our own men, followed immediately by a most successful diplomatic mission to Japan, (applause), has probably put an end to the record of British mismanagement or mismanagement of our foreign affairs.

After quoting the words of Mr. Winston Churchill, who said that self-government is at the root of all true Imperial policy, because every part of the Empire is the best judge of its own needs and ought therefore to be free to do as it sees fit, Mr. Ewart said:

This is not the language of Imperial federation. It is the language of

"the special feature of the British Empire." It is language dear to Canadian ears, for it represents and embodies the great and noble aspirations of true emancipation, of political self-control, and of nationhood. Canada shall not always be subservient and subordinate. If she cannot be joint-mistress of the British Empire, she shall at all event be sole mistress of her own people. In peace and war, for better or for worse, she must with her own brave heart and stout arms front the future as best she can. May she have wisdom and prudence and sagacity and forbearance sufficient for her assumption of an honored place among the great nations of the world.

Mr. Ewart's analysis of the movement towards Imperial consolidation leads him to the following conclusions:

Imperial Federation died with its league in 1883.
The Imperial Court of Appeal died in 1900.

Colonial Law Lords for the Privy Council died in 1902.
Military Contingents under War Office control died in 1902.

Councils with evolutionary tendencies died in 1902.
Councils with persuasive authority died in 1905.

Councils in name died in 1907.
Subscriptions to the Navy died in 1907.

Imperial Control of Judicial appeals died in 1907.

It is easy to dogmatize about the future of Canada, but experience shows that nothing can be more uncertain than the manner in which Canadian destiny will be worked out. We are firmly of the opinion that the relations of the Dominion to the United Kingdom will continue to be of a very close nature. Just what form they will assume must be left for the future to determine. The British Empire, as it now exists, is unique, and its future cannot be predicated from what has occurred in the history of any other empire.

THE FRIENDS OF LABOR

Except love's young dream, there is nothing quite so sweet in life as the solicitude of Messrs Macdonald and Hawthornthwaite and their followers for the welfare of the workingman. It is so sweet as to be somewhat cloying, and to be likely to cause indigestion in the body politic. The workingman is a good deal like the rest of us, but he is not chargeable with being an ass. He can see quite as far through a grindstone as other people. He can weigh at its proper value all the rhetoric that is emitted in his behalf. He is not fooled half a minute by it. He knows when he is being fairly dealt with without being told. He, like the great majority of mankind, judges people by their action, not by their words.

As a matter of fact this constant assertion of undying affection for the workingman is making a good cause ridiculous. All right-thinking people are desirous of seeing the condition of wage-earners improved. There are many ways in which this can be done and is being done all the time. Possibly the rate of progress is not as great as some people would like. Organized labor has in one respect gone ahead of the rest of us. It has secured for the weak the protection of the strong. It has enabled the less skillful to profit by the capabilities of his more adept fellow-worker. It gives perhaps the best expression of true altruism that is to be found today. It is sometimes unreasonable and very often impatient, but in the main its objects are good and its methods reasonable. When it takes an extreme and unjustifiable position, the world hears all about it; but little is said of the tens of thousands of cases in which its operations are beneficial to the community, and even more frequently to individuals. It is too powerful an agency to be swayed by the arts of the demagogue. Individual instances can doubtless be cited, to which this language would not apply, but taken as a whole, organized labor, which is the element of the community that some of our Liberal and socialist public men are so fond of appealing to, is just as able to understand political situations, just as able to appreciate the nature and intent of legislation and just as able to estimate the value of the professions made in their behalf, as any other class in the community. The self-styled friends of labor in the House waste a good deal of breath to very little purpose.

A correspondent writing from Millstream, near Victoria, complains that the mail service is not what that locality has a right to expect. We invite the attention of the Post Office Inspector to the matter.

The proud people of Spain cannot get over the "remember the Maine" incident, and the public generally can sympathize with them in that, but they show a surprising lack of dignity when they hark back to an incident which is best forgotten.

There does not appear to be any very great difference of opinion between the Colonist and the Times as to the principles which ought to govern the legislature in dealing with the proposed water amendment bill, so we do not see why it feels called upon to profess to occupy a different stand.

Building permits issued so far in the present month aggregate over the \$40,000 mark. There is no city in the entire Dominion of equal size which can make nearly so good a showing in this "period of depression." The amount mentioned refers to the erection of small residences. As a city of homes, Victoria is expanding very rapidly. And a home town means a solid town.

Very gratifying reports were presented at the seventh annual meeting of the Victoria Horticultural society, and the members look forward to another successful season. In this anticipation they may, we feel, count upon a very generous measure of support from the general public.

It is stated that a large number of Canadians will suffer through the collapse of the Mutual Reserve Life Insurance Company of New York. It is becoming clearer every day that Canadians would be pursuing a wise policy in confining their financial undertakings and ventures to home institutions.

We print a letter this morning from the Rev. John B. Hicks in regard to drunkenness along the Esquimalt road. In addition to what he writes, Mr. Hicks informed the Colonist personally that the abuse of which he complains is growing very serious. Public opinion will demand a change in this respect.

It is announced from Toronto that the manufacturers will endeavor to have British loan companies establish agencies in Canada, so that money can be obtained on good security at lower rates of interest than at present prevailing. This is an exceedingly important and interesting announcement, and we will no doubt hear much more about it shortly.

More money is needed for the proper maintenance and improvement of the public parks of the city. The council will be making no mistake if it decides to deal in very generous fashion with the commissioners' recommendations in this regard. Money spent in civic ornamentation is money well spent, especially in a place occupying the position which Victoria does.

Appropos of improved fire-fighting facilities, we note in a press dispatch we had yesterday, that a salvage corps will be established in Winnipeg, and that if the same be maintained by the city a reduction will be made in the insurance rates. We do not remember to have ever heard any suggestion of the formation of such a corps in Victoria. How big does a city have to be before it becomes necessary to take steps to arrange for such a thing?

An announcement which will arouse great interest among all classes throughout Canada is to the effect that Hon. Mr. Fielding has given notice of a resolution in favor of a government system of accident insurance and annuities. This is a distinct departure in Canada. That such a plan, if it can be financed on a feasible and equitable basis, would work for the benefit of the people, there can hardly be two opinions. The public will await with much interest the full details of the proposed measure.

It is reported from Ottawa that the British Columbia members of the Commons are unanimously in favor of the disallowance of the Natal Act passed by the local legislature. One has little difficulty in understanding why they have taken such an attitude. Should the act be allowed to stand, they fear it would be interpreted by the electorate of this province as an endorsement of the policy of the McBride administration on the Asiatic immigration question, and of course this is a contingency which must be avoided if there is any way of doing it.

A provincial election is now in progress in New Brunswick, and at the convention of the Liberal party held in York county to nominate candidates a delegation of clergymen of all denominations headed by the Anglican Bishop of the Diocese presented themselves and asked to be heard on the subject of purity of elections. The result was that the convention agreed to appoint a committee of twenty-five to consult with a like committee of the Conservative party to see what arrangements can be made to meet the views of the delegation. The same plan is to be followed in the other constituencies.

In a speech delivered at Concord, N. H., on Tuesday evening, briefly reported in our dispatches of yesterday, Mr. Taft, secretary of war, gave utterance to the following remark: "When men who are poor and humble violate the laws it is easy by process of court to seize and convict the prisoner, but the wealthy men who have influence it takes courage in the government authorities to bring to the bar." True words were never spoken, and they open the door so that one may see quite clearly the cause of the bitter hostility towards the policy of President Roosevelt on the part of certain elements in the United States.

We can assure our evening contemporary that nothing would give the Colonist greater pleasure than to have an authoritative declaration by the highest court in the land as to the jurisdiction of provincial legislatures over matters relating to immigration. It would be unreasonable to expect our contemporary to remember it, but the Colonist has on more than one occasion taken the position that the power of disallowance was not conferred upon the Governor-General for the purpose of making the Dominion government a court to pass upon the constitutionality of provincial legislation, but only for the purpose of preventing provincial legislation being passed that would interfere with federal or Imperial policy.

We suppose it will always be necessary for a certain proportion of the population to be domiciled in the

Eastern portion of the continent of America, but, were it otherwise, one can understand that there would be a likelihood of that territory becoming a barren waste, through the people deserting it for the more congenial climate of the Pacific coast. This impression is formed from reading daily the newspaper dispatches telling of terrific blizzards and howling snowstorms, and from recalling that when the winter has passed, after a brief respite, broiling heat will make life at times almost unbearable. It is by reflecting on this situation that one is able to appreciate in some measure that we who are dwelling in this favored Vancouver Island have in our climate an asset of incalculable value, and one which as the years wear on, will, as a magnet exerting an ever-increasing force, tend to draw population to these shores. We boast a great deal of our climatic advantages; and the theme is perhaps just a little hackneyed; but in all seriousness we say that it is simply impossible to compute the value attaching to the possession of the asset mentioned.

SPIRIT OF THE PRESS

Easily Digested.
Last year 277,000 people entered Canada, or over 4 per cent. of the population. The national digestion would be sorely taxed if the bulk of these people were of foreign blood and language, like the immigrants into the United States. Happily, most of them are English-speaking and create no such social problem as our neighbors have to deal with.—London Advertiser.

A Storm Brewing in Ireland.
Private advices from Ireland to The Globe indicate that one of the greatest scandals of recent times is likely to be laid bare before long. It will be remembered that just before the King's visit to Ireland last year the regalia and jewels his majesty intended to wear at an investiture of the Earl of St. Patrick disappeared. They were under the care of Sir Arthur Vicars, and although search has been made high and low they have not been found. It was supposed that the Earl had spirited away the jewels was a result of a Nationalist plot to annoy the government, but the refusal two weeks ago of Sir Arthur to reveal the whereabouts of the jewels to the Lord Lieutenant, the Earl of Aberdeen, to determine whether Sir Arthur was to blame for keeping the jewels hidden, has caused a new and more serious situation. The Earl of Aberdeen, who is a member of the House of Commons, has been accused of having been in collusion with Sir Arthur to keep the jewels hidden, and the Earl of Aberdeen, who is a member of the House of Commons, has been accused of having been in collusion with Sir Arthur to keep the jewels hidden.

Bring in Newfoundland
The proposal to add Newfoundland to the Dominion will not become a live issue if Sir Robert Bond, when he goes to Ottawa, makes it clear that the island is ready to discuss reasonable terms. The Montreal Witness believes Canada's door is wide open to the island. The Ancient Colony will receive a warm invitation to come in. It says in part: "Sir Robert Bond's projected visit to Ottawa for the purpose of discussing the relations between Newfoundland, of which he is premier, with the Dominion, revives the question of that colony joining the Confederation. There is nothing new to be said on the subject. It has been discussed in all its bearing for over forty years. Delegates from the island took part in the first Confederation conference, but the revolutionist declined to participate when the movement was taking concrete form and there was no Confederation party in the Colony to support the cause of union. Sir John Macdonald subsequently made several advances to bring it about, but met with no response. When Sir Mackenzie Bowell was premier, Sir William White, at that time premier of the Newfoundland government, visited Ottawa and discussed terms of union, but his financial propositions were considered excessive and the negotiations came to nothing. They certainly were such demands as one would make who held the handle of the whip, rather than such as simple equity would dictate. Though they were more than the island colony it was perhaps a mistake to refuse them. It was thought at the time that had Sir John Macdonald been offered the same opportunities he would not have let slip the chance of rounding off the Dominion and completing his life-work as an Empire builder. The present government would gladly welcome Newfoundland into the sisterhood of provinces, and would not be ungenerous in the consideration of terms. Union would be advantageous to both in many ways, and Sir Wilfrid Laurier, we feel sure, will do all in his power to bring about so desirable a result."—St. John Telegraph.

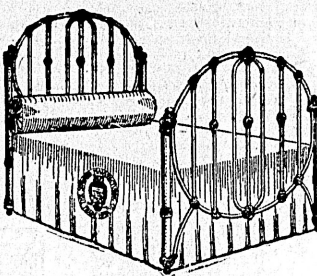
Law Reform at Hand.
Hon. Mr. Foy, attorney-general of Ontario, has given notice of a resolution looking to a considerable measure of law reform. Anyone perusing the clauses of the resolution will be struck with the extreme utility of having a leader of Opposition strictly imbued with the reforming instinct. In Mr. Foy's resolution may be recognized some of the reforms in law procedure upon which Mr. MacKay has been educating the Province ever since he came to his present position, ably aided by Mr. J. W. Curry, the Liberal candidate in East York.

The resolution starts out with the robust declaration that there shall be but one appellate court for Ontario, and that all the judges of the supreme court of judicature shall constitute that court. As will be seen by reference to the full text of the resolution, to be found in another column, it is laid down that the decision of the court of appeal shall be final, except on constitutional questions in which the construction or application of a statute of Canada are involved, or where the action is between a resident of Ontario and a person residing out of the province. The appeal is abolished, and the granting of the leave to appeal is to be confined to cases where large amounts are involved, or where the case is of some general interest. The wording of this is not wholly satisfactory. One of the oppressive features of the law as at present constituted is the fact that a man is given to rich corporations to drag litigants across the ocean, where the expense of conducting an appeal is to many a virtually prohibitory. Such a case as that of the street railway company and the city would also, under the terms of the clause above referred to, be applicable to the privy council, although it was a wonderful example of how absolute the rule of law is. The court may be with the real situation of things on this side of the Atlantic. The courts here were unanimously with the city. The cost of \$500,000 was shown by the very reasons of their decision that they failed to distinguish between general rights and rights existing under a contract.

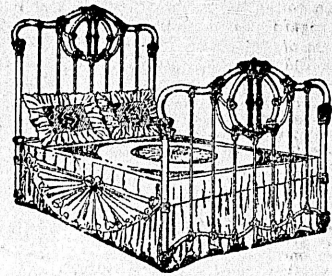
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CHIFFONIER—Surface Oak, in a pretty style. This pretty chiffonier has five drawers and hat box, and large bevel mirror, bow front and several points of excellence. We have marked it at a low price. Each \$22.50.
CHIFFONIER—Another excellent chiffonier offering. This style comes in surface oak, is well finished and constructed throughout, has five large drawers and a large bevel mirror of best quality. Price \$25.00.



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NOTE AND COMMENT

A subject of much comment by the press generally just now is the fact that a large number of men occupying prominent positions in financial institutions have committed suicide as a result of disgraceful exposures affecting them. There seems to be complete agreement that as the standing in the community of these unfortunates had previously been of the highest, their downfall engenders the suspicion that an investigation would disclose "something rotten in the state of Denmark" in regard to the whole commercial fabric of the nation. In this connection, the Montreal Witness indulges in the following reflections:

One of the most startling manifestations of the recent toppling over, or crumbling to pieces of various financial concerns in the United States has been the absconding and the self-murder of so many men whose standing in the community had previously been of the highest. In most cases these men have been embarked in extravagant projects, and have been led on from one windy and watery adventure to another, until their barks suffered irretrievable shipwreck. Over-capitalization or excessive stock-watering was the main cause of their shipwreck. Most of them were not really bad at heart, but they reached the extreme edge of imprudence in trying to make something out of nothing and get rich quick. When at length exposure could no longer be evaded, there was a complete nerve collapse as the result of long tension, and they found themselves unable to face it out and bear their punishment like men, but committed suicide. If they had not been tempted into undue risks they would have been spared such a melancholy and sordid close.

In an editorial article, the Montreal Herald cites the experience of Mr. J. C. Drewry as showing what may be done in the West with its manifold resources and requirements. We quote the following extract from the article as an exemplification of the fullness and versatility of life in Canada:

Mr. Drewry is an old newspaper man, who yielded to the fascination of the mining spell in British Columbia. It is sufficient for our present purpose that his career is conceded, to say that he found success, but the story he told was of how he had fared on a ranch he purchased three years ago at Cowley, in Alberta, on the Crow's Nest Pass railway. This far, of 1,200 acres, is skirted by a river for about a mile. This year he has 60 acres sown with Alberta red wheat. Besides, he has a large stud of horses, herds of pure-bred cattle, styes of pigs and some hundreds of fowls. The farm is a first-class paying proposition, as he sells his dairy and meat products in the home markets provided by the mining communities that have grown up around the Crow's Nest. He has fine homestead buildings and windmill and hydraulic machinery, with which he grinds his grain. He collects his own ice in winter and stores it for summer use, cutting as much as leaves him a surplus ahead, just in an exceptionally mild winter the ice griped. The river, that runs by and through part of the farm is well stocked with fish, and on the fields is abundance of wild fowl. From a coal mine of which he is director he gets the fuel he needs for winter for his household coal—delivered to him and to others at \$2.50 per ton. Mr. Drewry says there are many other farms in that country equally good that can be obtained, although not every one has the capital necessary for such development.

It is not without significance that few newspapers in Canada have felt called upon to make a display of enthusiasm over the visit to Ottawa of Ambassador Bryce in an effort to bring about a settlement of the outstanding differences between the Dominion and the United States. Many writers indulge in sarcastic references to Mr. Bryce's former visit to Canada. Here is a typical comment which we find in the Toronto Star:

Ambassador Bryce will visit Ottawa this week. It is the ambassador's duty to call on Canada every once in a while to look at her tongue, feel her pulse, and inquire after her liver.

In a recent issue the Regina Leader had something to say on the question of civic advertising which will appeal to Victorians with a special force at this particular juncture. We quote:

The publicity campaign started by the board two years ago with the assistance of the city council, has fully justified its existence, having undoubtedly been largely instrumental in placing the advantages of the city before the world, with a prominence which was previously lacking. We live in an advertising age, when cities as well as soap manufacturers must be at pains to publish abroad their good qualities, or fall behind in the commercial race. That the Regina district is one of the more richly endowed in the great American northwest has been amply demonstrated, and that Regina is favorably situated as a distributing point, is an equally established fact. It is necessary, however, to keep reiterating those facts if we are to reap the full benefits from those self-evident advantages.

Emerson teaches us that if we will but seek for it, we will always find some compensation for our fancied ills. The Toronto Mail and Empire, taking this lesson to heart, is just now engaged in a laudable effort to induce the shivering multitude in that city to cheer up and remember that, while it may be a trifle chilly in the mornings, it ought not to be forgotten that a low temperature makes it possible for the ladies to display the finest lot of fur garments in all Canada. It says:

Fur is probably the richest article of apparel that the human animal has appropriated; and, judging by the furs seen in Toronto, the average sum spent on street dress by Toronto women is not exceeded in any other city in the world. Nine women out of ten wear some article of fur. Those who have nothing better to do with their intellects may find some amusement in counting the ladies they meet and determining whether the percentage is not accurate.

A Louisiana woman supports herself by raising mint, and a Jersey City woman makes a living by painting signs.

FORTY YEARS AGO

The British Colonist, Thursday, February 20, 1868.

Shipping News.—H. M. S. Reindeer is daily expected here from Panama. H. M. S. Pyralides has been commissioned for the Pacific. The brig Orient, with a cargo of general merchandise sailed from San Francisco on the 13th for Victoria. The Del Norte sailed for Port Townsend and San Juan Island yesterday. She will return today and sail on Friday for San Francisco.

French Benevolent Society.—An abstract of the annual report of this society is published today, from which it would appear that the association is in a highly flourishing state—the assets being over two thousand dollars, and the liabilities nil.

Council met on Tuesday at 7 o'clock his worship the mayor in the chair and the following councillors present: Lewis, Crimp, Jeffrey, McKay and Gibbs. The chairman of the finance committee reported that the amount of \$322.27 being the amount collected on account of fire insurance rates, has been paid to the treasurer of the Victoria Fire Department.

The Concert.—A crowded house greeted the performers at the theatre last evening. The entertainment was the best of the kind yet given here. Too much praise cannot be awarded Miss Yeoman, Mr. Geo. Edwards, Mr. Gunther, Mr. Palmer, Mr. Alton and Mr. Bushell, for the excellent manner in which they played or sang. The encores were frequent and the satisfaction afforded the audience seemed unbounded. We are surprised that chaste entertainments similar to that given last evening are not more frequently offered the public.

Berlin, Feb. 17.—The illness of Bismarck is serious. He is unable to leave his bed.

ABOUT PEOPLE

The Marquis of Bute's experiment in rat extermination on his island of Little Cumbrae is being watched with a good deal of interest in Scotland. The islet is only a mile square, and a lighthouse-keeper and a shepherd or two are its whole population. The two islands of Cumbrae lie between Bute and the mainland, and were purchased by Lord Bute's father from the Earl of Glasgow. Lord Glasgow had a pretty house on Great Cumbrae, now the residence of Dowager Lady Bute, and he built there a small cathedral and training college for the Episcopal Church of Scotland, of which he was a most fervent adherent. Kelburn Castle, Lord Glasgow's principal seat, is on the mainland just opposite Cumbrae.

A scheme for lightening the tedious of a long railway journey by giving a theatrical performance in a train has a suggestion of novelty, if nothing else, to recommend it. According to a French paper, such a proposal has been put forward by a group of Parisian financiers. The idea is to attach a special "theatre car" to every express train between Paris and the Riviera. This car would have a small stage at one end and seating accommodation for about sixty persons. The nature of the performances advocated is, appropriately enough, of the kind known as "continuous."

Lord Barrymore, who was sixty-five years old a few weeks ago, is said to be the "Evening Standard," a coronation baron, the ancient Earldom having lapsed over eight years ago, although there has been talk of the possibility of its revival. At Fota Island, Cork, which forms only a small part of the estate, there is a private railway station, one of the very few in the United Kingdom, and in the grounds are a splendid arboretum and semi-tropical garden with an unrivalled collection of rare plants. In connection with the Earldom of Barrymore it is a sufficiently curious fact that the last three Earls of Barrymore were all brothers, and were known among their friends as Heligate, Newgate, and Cripplegate, while their only sister was called Billingsgate. The present Lord Barrymore is not a descendant of this family.

Professor Thompson contributes a graceful appreciation of the late Lord Kelvin to the "Review." "We at Cambridge," he says, "enjoyed through his frequent visits the influence exerted by his personality. The days when Lord Kelvin came to the Cavendish Laboratory were red-letter days for all its students. He would go from one experiment to another, full of enthusiasm, interest and encouragement asking questions, and often calling to Lady Kelvin to come and look at something which peculiarly interested him. His visits acted like a tonic; the interest which each student felt Lord Kelvin had taken in his work increased his own interest in it and spurred him on to further exertion."

It is worth recalling, says the "Globe" that Mr. Rufus Isaacs, whose name is mentioned in connection with the changes necessitated in the appointment of law officers of the crown was briefed against the late Attorney-General in the last "cause celebre" in which Sir J. Lawson Walton was engaged. This was the trial at the High Court of Whitaker Wright, who was defended by Sir John. He of course found in Mr. Rufus Isaacs a formidable prosecuting counsel in all that concerned finance and company methods. Few knew how great a shock it was to his counsel when the prisoner poisoned himself within a few minutes of the close of the trial.

Sir Massey Lopes, whose death took place at the great age of ninety years says the "Daily Chronicle," a worthy Devonshire lawyer, who sprung from an old Spanish family long since settled in this country. He sat in parliament for many years as a Conservative, and was a favorite of Mr. Disraeli's. When Sir Massey was first elected for South Devon, in 1868 his opponent was Viscount Amberley, son of Earl Russell, better known as John Russell. Those were the days of open voting, and the election contest was spread over sixteen weeks. The Duke of Bedford's influence was strong in South Devon, and this fight between Whig and Tory was exceedingly keen and bitter. Old Devonians still recall incidents of the great struggle.

The Lord Lieutenant has appointed two additional Presbyterian chaplains to the household—Dr. McKean of Belfast and Rev. William McNeill, of Dublin.

BRITISH OPINION

Belfast Whig.—Lord Roberts has pointed out that it is in numbers both of officers and men that the army and its reserves are deficient to meet the strain of a great war and to fulfill the requirements which are essential to the maintenance of the Empire. To make good this deficiency at the lowest cost to the taxpayer is the object of the recent change. There is a shortage of seven thousand officers and the potential reserve is unable to meet the demands of a great war; and unless Mr. Haldane's scheme proves successful there seems no other course open than to establish a system of compulsory service. The responsibilities of the empire are becoming greater every year, and it is the duty of the people of the United Kingdom to fit themselves to defend their possessions. The important part that organization plays in deciding battles was never better illustrated than in the recent war between Japan and Russia. Under modern conditions of life victory inclines to the force which is best organized. In a struggle where other things are equal the nation that possesses the efficient organization is the one that is most likely to win. "Organization," says Lord Esher, "implies forethought and preparation, and we are apt to think that because for centuries we managed well without either, and because from these small islands has grown an Empire world-wide in extent an unsystematized method which has served so well in the past will continue to serve us still." Surely the lesson of the South African war has not been lost on the nation. The lack of an efficient organization was seen there, and the result was a heavy loss in blood and treasure. Organization is the great secret of success in business and the army that is not organized has a poor chance against an army that is. Organization for war means thorough preparation for war in every branch, from the highest command to every source of supply. Indeed, without sound organization it is impossible to raise and train an army. Success in war depends on careful attention being given in time of peace to the component parts of the army. The question which those who are responsible for the efficiency of the army have to ask themselves is whether the means taken to ensure this are adequate. Much depends on the character of the officers who lead the army. Lord Esher is doubtful whether the intellectual equipment of the average British officer of high rank and middle life is equal to that of men of the same standing in other professions. It is true, as Lord Esher says, that in a voluntary system too much pressure cannot be used on either officers or men; but surely the authorities can hold out inducements to those who will take the trouble to prepare themselves for the responsibilities of command. Rightly or wrongly, the impression must be dispelled by appointing only thoroughly qualified men to lead the troops in time of war. In maintaining the army the country has a serious object in view, and anyone who joins the colors is expected to make himself as efficient as it is possible for him to become.

London Times.—Mr. Asquith apparently enjoys a popularity among the fair sex which he finds a little embarrassing. He was, if we remember rightly, the first among ministers to be favored with the flattering front-door demonstrations enjoyed yesterday by quite a number of his colleagues. If he was not among the number thus gently solicited, the reason seems to be that he had surrendered himself to the higher ordeal of receiving a deputation. He was evidently in some doubt whether he had acted wisely in breaking the rule that Ministers receive deputations only on matters connected with the offices they hold, and was a little uncertain about the reason why he was selected to be the recipient of feminine confidences. But that uncertainty is due solely to his modesty. There can be no doubt that he is a prime favorite among the women, for whom a woman teases she distinguishes; and they will think none the worse of him for his recall from the pleasing offer of large and enthusiastic meetings of women in the North of England if he would only do and talk to them. The deputation had nothing to urge which was not all of us are not perfectly familiar with. Indeed, the principal argument urged for the extension of the franchise to women is that some women want it, which, of course, is the best and most conclusive of feminine arguments upon any subject. But, though the ladies before him no doubt vander the suffrage, Mr. Asquith is not at all convinced that the women of this country, taken as a whole, do want it; and we entirely agree with him. He told the deputation that the first thing they have to do is to persuade the great mass of women that they ought to have votes, and the second thing is to convince the great mass of men that this country ought to plunge into an experiment, for which there is no precedent in the history of sovereign and independent states. As for the present government, he pointed out with great cogency that it cannot take up the question, even if it would. There were many issues at the general election, but woman suffrage certainly was not one of them. There is no need to press the doctrine of equal rights far in order to see that at any rate a government must endeavor to do the things in view of which its supporters put it in power before trying things which have never been discussed and were not before the country at all when the election took place. If all these ladies were men asking them some quite new thing, the answer would have to be just the same. Men have never obtained things that they wanted until they had gone through the work of converting the majority to their views and getting it to announce its conversion at the polls. The government has more than enough work on hand, and would be justly condemned as trifling with the country were it to put that work aside as the ladies demand. Besides, if it did take the course they desire it would put an end to this parliament since no such large change could be made in the electorate without an immediate dissolution. The ladies must try to imitate the patience exercised in similar cases by mere men. For our own part, we cannot affect to hope that their patience will be rewarded in the end.

Stopping his carriage while he was driving to a meeting of the Clare County Council, some men fired at and severely wounded Mr. Daniel O'Loughlin at Lisdoonahanna.

The compensation claimed on malicious injury cases arising out of the Dublin strike riots has been reduced from £25,000 to about £1,000.

MUTUAL RESERVE LIFE

Negotiations for the Re-Insurance of Policy Holders With Imperial Company.

Toronto, Feb. 19.—It is understood that negotiations are on for re-insurance of the policy holders of the Mutual Reserve Life of New York with the Imperial Life Insurance Company of Canada.

While the negotiations with the latter are not absolutely completed, it is believed that satisfactory arrangements will be made. It has been stated that the amount to be paid for re-insurance will be about \$250,000. There is now a deposit with the government of about \$265,000, and the Toronto General Trusts Corporation holds an additional \$75,000.

TOBACCO PROSECUTION

Action Taken in States Means Expense for the Imperial Tobacco Company

Bristol, Feb. 18.—Lord Winterton, chairman of the Imperial Tobacco company, at the annual meeting of the company today made reference to the recent indictment in the United States of the American Tobacco company. He said that although both the British and American companies had been joined in the indictment by the American court, the directors of the Imperial company had been advised legally that they had done nothing contrary to the laws of the United States or the United Kingdom. In spite of this, however, the chairman said the indictment would entail expense to the English company.

Condensed Milk Standard.

Ottawa, Feb. 19.—The Inland Revenue Bulletin urges that a legal standard for condensed milk be established.

Licenses Commissioners Resign.

Toronto, Feb. 19.—Two of the commissioners of the Toronto license board have resigned because of the action of the city council in cutting off 34 licenses.

Killed by a Tree.

Cobalt, Ont., Feb. 19.—Joseph Mibeault is dead from injuries received by a tree falling on him while engaged as a woodchopper in the bush. He was 42 years old, and leaves a widow and four small children.

Hon. Dr. Reaume Nominated.

Windsor, Ont., Feb. 19.—Hon. Dr. Reaume, minister of public works for Ontario, was unanimously chosen by North Essex Conservatives for the next provincial elections.

To Abolish the Bar.

Toronto, Feb. 19.—The Ontario branch of the Dominion Alliance, which meets in annual convention in a few days, will demand of the Ontario government the immediate enactment of a law abolishing the bar and making the treating system a criminal offence.

Exchequer Court Vacancy.

Ottawa, Feb. 19.—The names of E. L. Newcombe, deputy minister of justice, and E. D. Lafleur, K. C., of Montreal, are mentioned in connection with the vacancy in the Exchequer court caused by the death of Mr. Justice Burridge.

GUESTS AT CITY HOTELS

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APPEAL FOR BETTER POLICE PROTECTION

Residents Along Esquimalt Road Greatly Annoyed by Drunken Men

Residents along the Esquimalt road feel that they should be accorded more police protection. Much annoyance has been occasioned to many residents along that thoroughfare, particularly by drunken men, as a result of existing conditions. Triumph Lodge No. 16, Independent Order of Good Templars, has taken the matter up, and through the secretary, John P. Hicks, has appealed to the provincial police for more adequate police protection. The following is the communication sent to the provincial police department:

To the Superintendent of Provincial Police, Victoria, B. C.

Dear Sir: We are instructed by Triumph Lodge No. 16, I. O. G. T., Esquimalt road, to write you, respectfully calling attention to the fact that a little more police vigilance seems most desirable along Esquimalt road, from the city limits to the village, to protect residents from annoyance, particularly from drunken men.

On two occasions at least, within a week, men under the influence of liquor have walked into residences along the road, without invitation. In one case the unwelcome visitor entered the parlor and threw himself down on the lounge before anyone knew of his presence, and when found either money or food had been given him. He used, also, offensive language, both in the house and to young school girls on the road after he had been ejected. In the other case the man walked into a kitchen and sat down, and had to be ordered out. A number of other cases are also reported of men more or less intoxicated begging from door to door, in some cases where women were alone in the house and afraid to refuse food to able-bodied men. Only recently, too, at about 2 a. m., a woman was seen hopelessly drunk along the road and using the foulest of language to men who appeared to be trying to get her home. And on still another occasion a man just outside the garden fence of a residence literally disrobed (in partial view from the windows) and then lay down as if going to bed. He was a little later aroused and helped to dress by the man of the house, who had been informed of his presence on returning from the city.

We are, as is well known, abnormally afflicted with drinking saloons and barrooms in this locality, and if these cannot be closed, it is at least due to the residents that protection should be guaranteed against such conditions as mentioned above.

P. S.—This very evening a man is lying asleep, in a drunken state, near the sidewalk not far from Admiral's road.

NEWS OF THE CITY

Week's Bank Clearings.
Bank clearings for the week ended Tuesday, totalled \$1,023,729.

Phrenological Society.
A meeting of the Phrenological society will be held in the Y. M. C. A. rooms this evening at 8 p. m. sharp.

Soldiers Will Dine.
The annual banquet of No. 3 company, Fifth regiment, will be held at the Victoria hotel on Thursday, February 20, at 8:30 o'clock. Members must appear in uniform.

Calvary Church Meeting.
A business meeting of the members of Calvary Baptist church will be held this evening in Victoria hall, Blanchard street, when action will be taken upon the resignation of the pastor, Rev. F. T. Tapscott, M. A.

Lacerated by Saw.
James Strachan, employed at T. M. Brayshaw's carriage works, suffered painful injuries yesterday morning, when his hand became entangled with a circular saw and three fingers were badly lacerated. It is not known whether he will lose the fingers or not.

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Sergeants Ball Arrangements.
The arrangements for the ball to be given in the A.O.U.W. hall by the sergeants of the Fifth regiment on February 28 are going ahead rapidly and everything points to a successful dance. Members of the company are requested to send in their invitations to the secretary, H. Earl, before Saturday, February 22.

True Blue Officers.
Victoria Loyal True Blue Lodge No. 37, at the regular meeting held last evening elected officers for the ensuing year as follows: Worshipful master, Sister Walker; deputy master, Sister Clark; chaplain, Sister Smith; recording secretary, Sister Walsh; treasurer, Mr. Dunaway; director of ceremonies, Sister Hosking; conductor, Sister Tait; inside guard, Sister Martin; outside guard, Sister Bremner; committee, Messrs. Hosking, Dunaway and Walsh and Sisters Clark and Tait.

Extends Its Property.
The Victoria Transfer company has just completed the purchase of the two half lots lying between the present premises and St. Andrew's church. The property was owned by the Methodist Mission, and on it are located two brick buildings, which will be removed at once, and the present building which is now under construction will be continued to cover the new ground. This will give the transfer company a frontage of 200 feet on Broughton street, with an average depth of 85 feet. When completed only two buildings in Victoria will have a greater floor space.

First Presbyterian Club.
A large number of members and friends of the First Presbyterian club turned out to the meeting on Monday evening. The reading of the first club paper to be issued by the new editor, Mrs. Lewis Hall, was enjoyed by all, some very well written articles on all subjects from music to hats, poems, advertisements, etc., having been contributed by the members. After the discussion created by the reading of the paper, the social committee superintended the rest of the evening. Refreshments were served, followed by a guessing contest. The criticisms for the past month were then read, and the meeting broke up, all having spent a very enjoyable evening.

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THE WEATHER

Meteorological office, Victoria, B. C., at 8 p. m., February 19, 1908:

SYNOPSIS.
The pressure has increased over the North Pacific states, the coast of the area being over Washington and Vancouver Island. Snow has fallen at Barkerville, Atlin and Baker City, and rain at Port Simpson, Terrace, Walla Walla. Further north a vast area of low pressure extends from Dawson southward to the northern districts of the Prairie provinces and the weather has been fair with moderate temperatures in nearly all sections.

TEMPERATURE.

| | Min. | Max. |
|---------------------|------|------|
| Victoria, B. C. | 38 | 48 |
| Vancouver | 37 | 45 |
| New Westminster | 36 | 48 |
| Kamloops | 18 | 36 |
| Barkerville | 16 | 26 |
| Port Simpson | 32 | 40 |
| Atlin | 14 | 32 |
| Dawson, Y. T. | 14 | 32 |
| Calgary, Alta. | 16 | 34 |
| Winnipeg, Man. | 2 | 18 |
| Portland, Ore. | 4 | 56 |
| San Francisco, Cal. | 46 | 54 |

FORECASTS.
For 24 hours from 5 a. m. (Pacific Time) Thursday:
Victoria and Vicinity: Light or moderate winds, generally fair and cold at night.
Lower Mainland: Light or moderate winds, generally fair and cold at night.
WEDNESDAY.
Highest 48
Lowest 38
Mean 43
Sunshine, 7 hours, 42 minutes.

Summary of weather for the month of January, 1908:

| | Tot. Precip. | Rain. | Snow. |
|-----------------------|--------------|-------|-------|
| Victoria | 3.12 | trace | 2.22 |
| Vancouver | 7.60 | trace | 2.60 |
| New Westminster | 6.81 | trace | 6.81 |
| Kamloops | 1.16 | 3.65 | .52 |
| Barkerville | 25.00 | 2.50 | 2.50 |
| Port Simpson | 5.26 | 1.30 | 2.48 |
| Atlin | 10.80 | 1.08 | 1.75 |
| Hornby Island | 11.75 | trace | 11.75 |
| Thetis Island | 8.90 | trace | 8.90 |
| Denman Island | 12.85 | trace | 12.85 |
| Beaver Lake | 4.98 | 4.98 | 0.00 |
| Ladner | 5.47 | 5.47 | 0.00 |
| Alberni Townsite | 10.20 | 5.00 | 10.52 |
| Alberni (Beaver Ck.) | 11.53 | 5.50 | 12.13 |
| Steveston | 9.83 | 4.96 | 4.96 |
| Vernon | 10.50 | 1.05 | 9.45 |
| Cowichan (Tzouhalem) | 9.16 | 9.16 | 0.00 |
| Goldstream | 5.50 | 13.00 | 10.89 |
| Summit | 0.7 | 27.00 | 2.48 |
| Nans Harbor | 4.22 | 27.00 | 6.92 |
| Rivers Inlet | 9.64 | 8.56 | 10.50 |
| Salmon Arm | 51 | 17.50 | 2.26 |
| Nickle Plate (Hedley) | 25 | 9.81 | 2.48 |
| Crawford Bay | 60 | 12.10 | 1.81 |
| Quesnel | 50 | 4.70 | .97 |
| Pentlton | 9.60 | .96 | .96 |
| Swansea Bay | 16.52 | 10.00 | 17.42 |
| Corral | 1.11 | 13.70 | 2.48 |
| Spences Bridge | 18 | 2.50 | .43 |
| Tobacco Plains | 32 | 3.50 | .67 |
| Revelstoke | 1.95 | 47.00 | 6.65 |
| Revelstoke | 12.50 | 1.25 | 1.25 |
| Clayoquot | 14.90 | 14.90 | 14.22 |
| North Nicome | 7.81 | trace | 7.81 |
| Nicola | 11 | 5.30 | .64 |
| Golden | 2.00 | 2.00 | .20 |
| Kelowna | 2.70 | 2.70 | 1.00 |

Victoria—The total amount of bright sunshine registered was 65 hours, highest temperature 49.3 on 5th, lowest 26.2 on 30th, mean 41.5. The total number of miles of wind recorded on the electrical anemograph was 7,702 and the direction as follows: north 1,872, northeast 504, east 1,170, southeast 1,749, south 1,371, southwest 1,397, west 598, northwest 146.

Vancouver—Highest temperature 48.1 on 5th, lowest 18.4 on 31st, mean 38.1.

New Westminster—Highest temperature 48.0 on 5th, lowest 17.6 on 31st, mean 37.3.

Kamloops—Highest temperature 41.5 on 5th, lowest 1.0 on 31st, mean 27.9.

Barkerville—Highest temperature 36.0 on 10th, lowest 6 below on 30th and 31st, mean 20.3.

Port Simpson—Highest temperature 51.8 on 4th, lowest 21.7 on 30th, mean 35.7.

Atlin—Highest temperature 39.0 on 25th, lowest 13 below zero on 21st, mean 16.2.

Thetis Island—Highest temperature 51.4 on 5th, lowest 23.5 on 31st, mean 38.9.

Ladner—Highest temperature 55.0 on 5th, lowest 17.0 on 31st, mean 39.2.

Alberni—Highest temperature 48.1 on 5th, lowest 1.0 on 31st, mean 24.4.

Nanaimo—Highest temperature 59.2 on 4th, lowest 19.0 on 31st, mean 38.2.

Total amount of bright sunshine 53 hours and 12 minutes.

Victoria—Highest temperature 49.0 on 8th, lowest 22.0 on 30th and 31st, mean 38.6.

Vernon—Highest temperature 42.0 on

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WEEKLY WEATHER SYNOPSIS.
Victoria meteorological office, 12th to 18th February, 1908:
During the greater part of the week an important high barometer area has covered the North Pacific states, while over British Columbia areas of low pressure from the ocean have crowded into the coast, but on the 15th, a disturbance appeared on the Washington coast causing a fresh easterly gale on the outside waters with a maximum wind velocity of 52 miles at the mouth of the Columbia river, but the disturbance quickly passed and the pressure filled up again, and the pressure continued high during the rest of the week. The rainfall has been rather in excess of the normal amount and snowfall occurred on the higher table lands both in this province and the adjoining states. Temperatures west of the Rockies have been about normal. In the northern districts the cold weather has continued nearly all the week though moderated at Atlin towards the close. In the Prairie provinces the pressure has varied considerably throughout the week, snowfall has been general and temperatures have not been excessive for the season.

At the close of the week the pressure is high over the greater part of the western section of the continent, with a low area over the northern districts of the British provinces and a blizzard with a strong northeasterly gale and over a foot of snow at Chicago.

At Victoria there registered 9 hours of bright sunshine, highest temperature 50.7 on 16th, lowest 54.2 on 12th, rain 1.13 inches.

At Vancouver—Highest 50 and 14th, lowest 31 on 12th, rain 1.22 inches.

At New Westminster—Highest 50 on 14th, lowest 32 on 12th, rain 1.14 inches.

At Kamloops—Highest 40 on 10th, lowest 10 on 18th; no precipitation.

At Barkerville—Highest 32 on 15th, lowest zero on 17th, 18th, snow 3.60 inches.

At Port Simpson—Highest 42 on 13th, lowest 28 on 12th, 16th, rain 1.14 inches.

At Atlin—Highest 34 on 15th, lowest 12 on 16th; no precipitation.

At Dawson—Highest 6 on 14th, lowest -22 on 16th; no precipitation.

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timber and forest preservation and ir-
rigation, the necessity of an extension
of the surveys in connection with ir-
rigation and other matters of almost
equal importance will have to be con-
sidered.

The Western Canadian Irrigation
association have recently forwarded
to the provincial government the resolu-
tions adopted at the last irrigation
convention held in Calgary.

Forestry, as affecting irrigation, is
the subject of the first.

"Whereas, the streams in the prov-
ince of British Columbia and Alberta
which supply water for irrigation have
their sources in mountains and tim-
bered watersheds; and,

"Whereas, the gradual melting of
the snow and ice on these watersheds
which feed these streams and the
gradual run-off of the summer precipi-
tation, all tend to equalize their flow
during the season when water is most
required for irrigation; and,

"Whereas, the destruction of the
timber on these watersheds will result
in flood in early spring, and a serious
shortage of water later in the season
when it is most needed for irrigation;
therefore, it is resolved, that the
Dominion government and the govern-
ment of British Columbia be strongly
urged to take active and immediate
steps to reserve and protect the exist-
ing forests on these watersheds, and
to replant denuded areas at the heads
of the streams, so that the sources of
water supply for irrigation may be
conserved and protected."

Extension of Surveys.
The necessity for the extension of
surveys in connection with irrigation
is the second.

"Whereas, the permanency of all
irrigation development is dependent
upon an accurate knowledge of the lo-
cation and quantity of the water sup-
ply available; and,

"Whereas, the matter of the topo-
graphical and hydrographical surveys
to determine the location and quan-
tity of water supply and the prop-
er methods of conserving it must be
undertaken by the governments ad-
ministering the law relating to the use
of such water;

"Therefore, be it resolved, that this
convention, while recognizing work
done, urges strongly upon the
Dominion government and the govern-
ment of British Columbia the impor-
tance of making the necessary ap-
propriations and providing the necessary
staff to undertake in an intelligent
and systematic manner the gauging of all
streams of water supply and the loca-
tion and survey of all sites suitable for
reservoirs for the storage of water."

Experimental Work

The need for agricultural and horti-
cultural experiments and the use of
water on the irrigated farm is the third.

"Whereas, it has been demonstrated
beyond doubt that the utilization of
our streams for irrigation purposes
will ensure to the farmer a larger aver-
age crop per acre over a given num-
ber of years; and,

"Whereas, irrigation under new cli-
matic and soil conditions give birth to
agricultural and horticultural problems
that can be solved only by systematic
investigation and experiment; and,

"Whereas, through the development
of vast irrigation projects in Western
Canada, thousands of settlers are now
colonizing our irrigated lands, who are
not alone unacquainted with our cli-
matic and soil conditions, but who are
also frequently ignorant of the prin-
ciples of irrigation farming;

"Therefore be it resolved, that the Do-
minion government and the provincial
governments of Saskatchewan, Al-
berta and British Columbia be requested
to make adequate appropriations for
experimental work under artificial wa-
tering and for the dissemination of
useful information bearing on the sub-
ject."

Duty of Water

The duty of water, or the amount of
water required to irrigate a defined
area, is the fourth.

"Whereas, the duty of water, or the
amount required for the irrigation of
a defined area, has a most important
bearing on irrigation development; and,

"Whereas, the information upon this
important question available in any
of the provinces of Saskatchewan, Al-
berta or British Columbia is vague and
incomplete;

"Therefore be it resolved, that the at-
tention of the governments interest-
ed should be directed to this important
matter, and they should be urged to
take the necessary action to provide
for carrying on a thorough system of
investigation to determine the duty of
water in the different provinces, so
that such duty may then be fixed by
law."

Revision of Lists

The necessity for revising existing
laws elicits the fifth.

"Whereas, the law relating to the
use of water for irrigation, and the
foundation upon which all irrigation
development must be built; and,

"Whereas, the law relating to this
important matter in the province of
British Columbia is cumbersome and
incomplete in its details, and its ad-
ministration has resulted in the over-
appropriation of water from streams
and other uncertainties as to title to
water, and is entirely lacking in pro-
visions regarding the storage of water
and its subsequent use in irrigation;
and,

"Whereas, the present and future de-
velopment of important sections of the
province are dependent upon the per-
manency of irrigation enterprises
and their extension;

"Therefore be it resolved, that the
government of the province be urged
to give immediate and full considera-
tion to necessary amendments to the
existing law to amplify its present pro-
visions and to the necessity for care-
fully revising the existing regula-
tions against all streams, so as to provide
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the priority and quantity of water
covered by all records which are in
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Popular Y. M. C. A. Worker Accepts
Position as Head of Medicine
Hat Club

T. Gawley, one of the most enthusi-
astic members of the Y. M. C. A., has
accepted the position of physical in-
structor of the Young Men's club of
Medicine Hat, and will leave about the
end of the month to assume his new
duties. The members of the local Y.
M. C. A. are preparing farewell social
which will be given to Mr. Gawley
prior to his departure. In local Y. M.
C. A. work Mr. Gawley has always
been a leader, especially in that
branch of the work pertaining to the
gymnasium.

A short time ago Rev. A. C. Farrell,
pastor of the Methodist Episcopal
church, wrote Physical Instructor
Findlay, asking if the latter could
recommend a young man who would
make a strong leader for the Young
Men's club of that town. Mr. Findlay
seized upon Mr. Gawley as the right
man for the position, and a few days
ago Mr. Gawley was offered the posi-
tion and accepted it.

The new club buildings being erect-
ed for the club at Medicine Hat are
up-to-date in every particular, and
there are about 5,000 young men to be
reached. The buildings will be opened
in a few days.

OPPOSE AMENDMENTS TO MUNICIPAL ACT

Electric and Telephone Com-
panies Think City is Ob-
taining Too Great Powers

A clause in the bill amending the
Municipal Clauses act, which was in-
troduced into the legislature by F.
Davey, M. P. P., Victoria, elicited con-
siderable opposition from counsel for
the B. C. Electric company and the B.
C. Telephone company.

The clause is inserted in the amend-
ing bill at the instance of the city of
Victoria. Unlike Vancouver, which
has a special act of its own, Victoria
is incorporated under the general
terms of the Municipal act. The pow-
ers of the city under the act are re-
stricted and continual recourse to the
legislature is necessary for additional
powers to perform the smallest things.
The clause mentioned is designed to
remedy this. It reads as follows:

"In city municipalities of over 10,000
inhabitants, such regulations as the
good of the inhabitants of the city re-
quire, not specifically provided for by
this section and subsections."

City Solicitor Mann, in pointing out
the difficulty under which the city
had labored in the past instanced a
case where an enactment of the city
preventing the use of the five o'clock
bell by a single owner in a congested
district, had been set aside by the
courts. The above clause was destined
to remedy this. A clause of similar
nature was contained in similar acts
enacted in Ontario and in various
states of the Union, and he thought
that British Columbia should not be
behind them in this.

E. V. Bodwell, K. C., on behalf of
the electric company, and G. H. Bar-
nard, K. C., on behalf of the telephone
company, opposed the insertion of the
clause. "It would be unfair to the
clients," they asserted, and under it
the city might pass by-laws handi-
capping and injuring them. Mr. Bod-
well went so far as to state that the
clause would virtually render the en-
tire act a dead letter.

Mr. Mann pointed out that neither
the utility nor the subject nor the
rights of any company or citizen
could be affected by the clause as the
latter could only be affected by the
enactment of statutes and could not be
interfered with by the Municipal act
at all. Mayor Hall also pressed the
point and finally the clause was
passed.

A second clause brought forth even
more strenuous opposition. It reads as
follows:

"To regulate the placing of poles and
wires and the replacing of poles in
case of permanent sidewalks or per-
manent work, and with due regard to
existing contracts to compel wires to be
placed underground in certain
specified streets and bridges."

Counsel for the two companies men-
tioned strongly opposed the clause as
intruding into their companies and as
conferring too great powers upon the
municipality.

Mr. Mann, in support of his conten-
tion that the clause should be allowed
to remain, instanced the case of Rock-
land avenue, in this city. This street
has been widened and the poles have
been left in their original position.
The city should have power to compel
their removal.

After much discussion the clause
was allowed to stand, with the addi-
tion of an amendment providing that
in the event of the city exercising
the powers mentioned, they should
adequately compensate the companies
affected.

WANT ROAD COMPLETED

Esquimalt Delegation Waited on the
Provincial Government Yes-
terday

A delegation from the resident prop-
erty owners of the Victoria West sec-
tion of Esquimalt waited on the pro-
vincial government this morning and
asked that the Douglas road in that
portion of the municipality be com-
pleted.

The road was commenced some time
ago by the government, but has never
been opened right through from Lans-
downe road. The section is one of the
best residential quarters, and the fact
that the road has never been com-
pleted has prevented lumber and
building material being transported to
that section of the district.

These facts were laid before the
government by H. D. Helmecken, K. C.,
the spokesman of the party. The pre-
mier promised that he would at once
have a report made upon the matter,
and further steps would be consid-
ered.

The delegation in all numbered
nearly 15. Amongst them were W. J.
Cave, G. E. Munro, T. E. Toner, E. P.
Johnson, F. Painter and W. Bucks-
beg.

A Correction.

Through error the Times last even-
ing gave credit to the Knights of Co-
lumbus for proposing the very suc-
cessful ball given on Tuesday night
at the Empress. The idea was Mrs.
H. R. Pooley's, although when it was
proposed the Knights took it up and
gave valuable assistance, but the
credit for the original suggestion and
for very much of the work of organi-
zation belongs to Mrs. Pooley.

STOLEN BEER BRINGS A HEAVY SENTENCE

Two Longshoremen Given One
Year Apiece—Blind Pig
Broken Up

Barney Martin and J. Everett, two
longshoremen who occupy a three-
roomed shack on Pembroke street,
were sentenced to a year's imprison-
ment yesterday for having a quantity
of stolen beer in their possession, the
property of the Phoenix Brewing com-
pany, knowing the same to be stolen.
The stuff was found on the sidewalk
in front of the house, and the men did
not deny that the beer was stolen
house, but said they did not know how
it got there. They offered no explana-
tion whatever of its presence. Macdonald,
O'Brien and O'Connor, three
friends of the other two, were also im-
plicated, but they were discharged by
the magistrate. The men were all un-
defended.

The first witness was Emile Erb, an
employee of the brewery, who identi-
fied the beer, which was valued at \$14,
as the property of the brewery. It
consisted of three five-gallon kegs and
a quantity of quart bottles, water and
pint bottles of ale. He said he knew
Martin, who was a customer of the
brewery. He had bought a fifteen-
gallon keg, a ten-gallon keg and a
five-gallon keg at different times, the
latter being the latest purchase and
made June 11. The kegs were in the
property of the brewery and were sup-
posed to be returned when empty. On
February 12 he reported the loss of
three five-gallon kegs of beer, four
dozen quarts of beer and two dozen
pints of ale, which had been stolen
from a delivery wagon left standing
over night in the yard of the brewery.

Thomas J. Harrison, night watch-
man at the brewery, testified that on
the night of February 11 he saw a
man in the brewery yard. As he went
to get a weapon, the man fled through
the gate, and on investigation was
proved to have been forced. This was
the gate opening on Discovery street.
The man was a tall fellow, about six
feet high and on being noticed he
made his escape northwards through
the new stables. Both keg and bot-
tled beer had been taken from the
wagon.

Detective Sergeant Palmer told of
finding the beer kegs produced under
the sidewalk in front of the house in
which Martin and Everett lived. He
was accompanied by two other offi-
cers and on their first visit they were
unable to get into the house. Later
they broke in and found the bottled
beer concealed in the roof, the hiding
place being reached through a man-
hole in the ceiling. There were also
three empty kegs concealed up there as
well as a number of empty brandy
bottles.

Robert S. White, a clerk in the Al-
bion stove works, knew Martin by
sight, and on the day in question saw
the policemen go to his house a little
after 9 in the morning. Early in
the afternoon he saw two men, whom
he identified as Martin and O'Brien,
trying to get into the house. Soon af-
terwards they came out with three
kegs of beer and a sack of bottles. The
bottles were taken to one of the other
cabins and the kegs were left on the
sidewalk. Later a man he believed
to be Macdonald took the kegs off the
porch and put them under the side-
walk.

The police have good reason to be-
lieve that Barney has for some time
past been conducting a blind pig which
is patronized by the longshoremen, but
they have not been able to get satis-
factory evidence upon which to lay an
information. The men offered no de-
fense and were sentenced as stated.

BILL PROVIDES FOR PROVINCIAL PARKS

Amongst Other Measures is
Radical One Introduced by
Parker Williams

The chief terms of the new bill in-
troduced into the legislature yester-
day, providing for the maintenance
of provincial parks are as follows:

1. The lieutenant-governor-in-coun-
cil may, from time to time, reserve
from pre-emption, sale, lease or li-
cense, any lands of the province, sit-
uate in district municipalities or in
unorganized territory for provincial
parks.

2. The lieutenant-governor-in-coun-
cil may appoint a board, to be called
the provincial parks board, to manage,
regulate and control all existing pro-
vincial parks (except those for which
trustees have been appointed under
the provisions of chapter 148 of the
revised statutes, 1897), and any pro-
vincial parks established under the
provisions of this act.

3. The said board shall be a body
corporate and politic, and shall be
composed of three or five members,
to be appointed by and to hold office
during the pleasure of the lieutenant-
governor-in-council.

4. Two members of the board shall
form a quorum when the board is
composed of three members, and three
members shall form a quorum when
the board is composed of five mem-
bers.


5. The members of the board shall
serve without compensation but each
member shall be entitled to receive
his actual disbursements for expenses
in visiting or superintending the parks,
whenever the visit or service is made or
rendered by the direction of the
board.

6. No member of the board shall
have any contract with the board or
be peculiarly interested, directly or
indirectly, in any contract or work
relating to the parks or park property.

7. The board shall have power to
attach penalties for the infraction of
their by-laws, and the same shall be
enforced by summary proceedings be-
fore a stipendiary magistrate or jus-
tice of the peace having jurisdiction
in the locality in which the offence is
committed.

8. Provision for the protection of the
trees, shrubs, pipes, reservoirs and
other property of the board is pro-
vided. A penalty of \$50 upon con-
viction of infraction of any of the regu-
lations, may be imposed.

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COLOGNE AND ITS SECRET

The River Rhine, it is well known, is the source of the Cologne. But tell me, nymphs! what power divine shall henceforth wash the River Rhine?

That stanza of Coleridge's comprises the sum of the average untravelled man's knowledge of the famous German city. Cologne has guarded its trade secrets well, even today, Vice-Consul LeSimple says, it is difficult to get information about its principal industry. He has, however, gleaned some interesting facts, which are presented in a recent report to the State Department. He says:

"The toilet-water industry in Cologne was established in the beginning of the seventeenth century. At that time the city numbered about 50,000 inhabitants, while the present population is 450,000. Cologne gained preeminence in this industry through the inventors of toilet water (Eau de Cologne). These were Paul Feminis and Maria Clementine, a Catholic nun, who came to Cologne, where for many years they manufactured the Eau de Cologne, and so founded the toilet-water industry of this city. This was begun on a small scale, with only a few persons employed, whom they did not initiate into the secrets of the whole process, the last and most important mixture being made by the inventors themselves. Paul Feminis left the secret with the Farina family while the nun bequeathed the secret to one Peter Schaeben, who had been her assistant for many years. Both families still carry on the business and are the leading manufacturers.

"The importance of the industry is by no means great enough to make the city dependent upon it. There are about thirty manufacturers of Eau de Cologne in this city, five of them being of importance. They each employ on an average of ten men. The wages paid to employees vary between \$1.25 and \$2.00 per day, while the office men receive salaries, according to their ability, ranging from \$1,500 to \$2,000.

"It is difficult to approximate the money invested in the business, but it may be stated that the outlay by the different firms varies from \$10,000 to \$200,000. The toilet-water industry is confined to the City of Cologne. The chief countries making purchases are England and its colonies, Austria and Russia.

KNOCK AT THE DOOR

"Always knock upon a closed door." This bit of advice was given to me in remote years ago by my stately old grandmother, into whose morning room I had burst unannounced one day, and I've never forgotten it.

Whether it has meant "knocking upon the closed door" of the future, or an ambition, or opportunity, or inspiration, the memory of it has "always arisen to confront me as an incentive for success or as a warning against impulsive action.

"The 'closed door' of a child's nature—especially if it be a sensitive, reserved nature—is a threshold at which few mothers think it necessary to pause and 'knock' for admittance. The general belief is that a child is the mother's; therefore its little 'secrets,' its shrinkings from contact, its

seemingly unwarranted reserves are hers by right of ownership.

But this is a blunder and a serious one at that, and many a child has been made a liar and taught deception from a forced entrance into his little heart. Perhaps it will surprise you to be told that you have stolen what does not belong to you—you have stolen the child's confidence, to which you had no moral right—and such an action has proved a point against you; it has proved that you haven't been worthy to enter, for you couldn't understand what you found there after you got in.

But no—pardon me—a mother has the privilege of knowing all that her child does or thinks or feels, and that is all that she is entitled to. "Privileges" and "rights" have two distinct meanings—the one has the gracious distinction of a favor, the other that of an established fact, and you have yet to prove to yourself and the child your claim to the latter.

Suppose as you "burst into the morning room" of your child's soul, you found a little trembling lie in hiding there, what would you have done? Shown him your wrath and horror at his "crime"? Scolded him for having harbored it? Beaten him for denying its presence? Punished him for his impudent words of protest at your intrusion? Perhaps all of these things, perhaps none.

At all events, the little lie is there, looking up at you with frightened eyes and small white face of fear. Of fear! Fear of what? Fear of the mother who should have been his loving, understanding protector in this his hour of temptation and his fall.

Who has been false, then, after all—the mother or the child? Hasn't there been any time left from the pressure of domestic and social duties for you to have acquired the habit of "knocking" for admittance upon the "closed door" of that curiously shut-in heart? Ah, mothers, if not, why not?

A sensitive child should never be harshly addressed, no matter what the occasion for speaking so to him. A lot of the reserve in a child arises from this very thing. He is unconsciously protecting himself from a sharp word by making the occasions for speaking to him at all as few and far between as the development of his intellect will help him to do.

By blundering into his confidence uninvited you have lost the opportunity for knowing just what he had intended doing about the little black guest he had been entertaining. Whether or not, some day soon he was going to bolster up his courage to the standing point and confess to you what he had done. Perhaps day after day that thought had been the mercurial of his play, his lessons at school, and reflections.

German Biscuits.

One half a pound of butter, half a pound of flour, six ounces of loaf sugar creamed, and sifted, a quarter of an ounce of caraway seeds and two eggs. Beat the butter and sugar to a cream, then add the eggs well beaten (yolks and whites separately), and stir in the flour slowly. Make into a nice smooth paste. Roll out thin, and cut into rounds with a glass or cutter. Prick them with a larded needle. Put upon floured tins, and bake in a slow oven.

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In Woman's Realm

In devoting more space than formerly to the affairs of women, the Colonist is taking a step which it is hoped our lady friends will appreciate. Any communication from them of general interest will be welcome and carefully attended to.

HERE AND THERE

Many Canadians can remember when at almost every fireside in the provinces and Western Ontario, the question of total abstinence was hotly debated. Fifty years ago great numbers of the young men of Canada became convinced that the drinking habits of the country were bad, alike for the individual and the community. These temperance men were very earnest. They agreed with their neighbors and gradually convinced a large majority of them that the drinking custom of the time were not only wasteful and wicked, but disgraceful. The result was that many of their sons grew up to manhood without ever having tasted alcohol.

In these days when allusions are made in almost every issue of the daily papers to the great progress of temperance legislation, it will be interesting to trace the movement on this continent. The United States had scarcely entered upon the responsibilities of nationhood when the Philadelphia College of Physicians appealed to Congress to impose such heavy duties as would restrain the intemperance use of alcoholic drinks.

In 1814, Dr. Lyman Beecher instituted a campaign against intemperance. His eloquent words sank into the hearts of his countrymen and have borne fruit.

About the middle of the century that wonderful man, Father Matthews, realized how much drunkenness contributed to the poverty and degradation of his countrymen. He was heard by the whole English speaking world they were not the only advocates of temperance. Thousands of clergymen of all denominations in England, in the United States and in the colonies labored with varying degrees of success in the cause of sobriety.

Then there appeared upon the temperance platform the reformed drunkard, of whom John B. Gough is the most conspicuous example. Some of these men had great oratorical powers and conducted revivals, which like all such movements, were productive of great excitement and some lasting good. So far temperance advocates had depended on what was called "moral suasion." No attempt was made to call in the aid of law to remove temptation from the pathway of the man who was trying to reform or to enforce sobriety on the drunkard. To free him from the bonds which he had forged for himself, he who had filled was urged to rely on the help of God, his brother, and his own manhood. Those who were free were warned of the dangers of indulgence and asked to pledge themselves to total abstinence.

It was among the lumbermen and shipbuilders of Maine that Neal Dow procured the enactment of the first Prohibition law in 1815. Few will contend that this law has been a complete success but just as few will deny that, by its operation, the sale of liquor has been greatly lessened.

The example of Maine has been followed by Kansas, North Dakota, Iowa, Georgia and Alabama, which have declared for prohibition. In most of the States, however, and in many parts of Canada there are local option laws which give the people of any county the power of regulating the sale of liquor within its borders. Prince Edward Island has succeeded in placing a prohibition law upon its statute book, and temperance people express themselves as well pleased with the result of the experiment.

The story of the rise of the Women's Christian Temperance Union in a little village in Ohio and its organization under Miss Francis E. Willard is familiar to all readers. Its rapid spread and its great influence has become a marked feature of present day society.

Just where or how the renewed agitation for the suppression of the liquor traffic has arisen is not easy to tell, but its progress indicates that the peoples of the Anglo-Saxon race have determined to strictly control the traffic and as soon as possible put an end to it. The advocates of total abstinence are no longer confined to the churches, the women, or even the philanthropists. Hard-headed business men and great corporations insist on the sobriety of their employees and in some cases the use of liquor by them is forbidden. Whatever may be the result, the time has arrived when the rulers of English speaking countries must reckon with public opinion on this great question.

The editor of a diary of a Daughter of Eve in Black and White says: "All women love jewels, and they love them the more on account of their rarity and costliness. If diamonds were cheap and everyone wore them, they would cease to be desirable. Badly set gems are abhorrent to good taste. Frocks and hats may be plain and inexpensive, and necessities are allowed to be furnished in the most frugal fashion, but ornaments and luxuries must lack nothing in quality. At least this is how the matter appears to refined perceptions. A poor gentleman prefers to go garbed in humble simplicity rather than wear imitation jewelry or imitating anything. Pity it is that such a large class exists, in which a liking for finery is the origin of so much extravagance and bad taste. A bow or a flower is a fitting adornment for the pretty village girl, but not gaudy brooches or dangling earrings of colored glass."

The Duke of Sutherland, who recently sold in London a large collection of paintings from the old masters is the largest landowner in Great Britain. His estate in Scotland is larger than the whole of Yorkshire. This wealthy nobleman takes a great interest in mechanics.

A romantic story is told concerning his marriage. The duke was at a dinner party and a very lovely girl was allowed to come in to dessert. The Duke fell in love with the little maiden's beauty and resolved to wait till she was old enough and then to marry her his wife. He was successful and the beautiful child is now the Duchess of Sutherland.

Mr. Bryan, the noted American politician and the probable Democratic candidate for president at the forthcoming election, was speaking in Toronto. The following paragraph is from a report of a speech which is spoken of as a fine oration:

"The ideals of greatness for a country are like those by which we measure individuals. What is the measure of greatness for a nation? What do couples quarrel over the question as to who should be greatest and appealed to Jesus they were told that service was the test of greatness. The greatest nation is the one that gives the greatest measure of service. Not by the size of its navy or army or its greatness of power. What do we measure its greatness revealed. I am not one who believes it is part of the Divine plan that one nation's prosperity can be built upon another's misfortune. I could not worship God as I do if that were so and I cry shame on the greatness of those who say there must be an uneducated class for the thinkers, and the educated to build their fortunes upon. Let us put behind education a conception of life that will make us all anxious to work for others, that will root up the heresies that it is most respectable to spend the money earned by someone else than it is to earn money for one's own needs. So, too, in our national life there are rights governments never gave and which governments cannot take away, and which tariffs cannot wall out. There is the right to see a good work, that men may see our good works, and that most potent influence which goes out among the nations from the upright life."

WHY WORK IS NEVER DONE

"The reason I am always tired," a friend of mine said recently in my hearing, "is that I am always trying to do 15 minutes' work in 10 minutes' time. I undertake something that I could not finish in the space I have allowed for it if I kept on a full run all the time. Then when some accident interferes all my calculations are thrown out and everything goes wrong."

I am myself constantly fighting with the temptation to undertake more than I can accomplish in a given time. In a way, I enjoy working under the spur. That is, if I have a long, quiet morning ahead of me, with just as much as I can put up with. If I know what I want and where to find it and have the money for it, I don't mind going to the place where it is sold and ordering it and paying for it. But on this special occasion the thing I thought I could find at a certain place was not there, and I had to seek further. Then, when I found it, I had to wait two customers ahead of me, and I had to wait my turn, gaining an appreciation, by the way, of the circumstances that make women push in ahead of others when they are in a hurry. By the time I had what I wanted it was too late to do the other things I had planned for, and since I had not allowed any time for the thing I might have expected, I was forced to go home with my errands undone.

That is the trouble with so many of us. We try to put too much into a given time, and then when interruptions arrive they eat up our leisure and leave us with our necessary work unfinished. It would be much better if we could set aside our work from the beginning that we could decide what must positively be done and what we could positively leave undone. Oh, yes I have heard that before, and when I have said: "But suppose you were ill and couldn't do the things?" the answer comes: "Oh, but that is different."

Well, I dare say it is. When illness puts the brakes and says "stop!" there is an allowance made for us that we could not ask or expect when we are well. But yet, if we will go over our daily lives calmly and dispassionately, don't you think we can find something that could be crowded out without doing any great harm? Or, if we whose mission would be of benefit to the person who left in undone?

Then there are the young women—eager, ambitious, longing to put all into their lives that these will hold. I recollect all about it. I was that sort of young woman myself once.

As a result, they are not willing that anything of interest shall be crowded out, and so needful rest and repose are the things that go to the well—and then the girl finds out that patience and the power of endurance and of sympathy are among the things that were crowded out, and that she and others must suffer for the lack of them. It makes no difference what may be the age of the girl—whether she be out of the world taking care of herself or in the school getting ready for her life's work—wherever she is, in 99 cases out of 100 she is doing too much and crowding out some of the things that are worth more than other achievements.

Not that I mean to belittle this view of things. Work is the biggest and finest thing in the world and that is one reason I am urging you girls to do less, in order that you may do better that which you do accomplish.

Last year over 11,000 deaths in Ireland were attributed to consumption, and it is far more prevalent there than in any other part of the United Kingdom.

PERSONAL MENTION

The Colonist readers are asked to assist in making this personal column as complete as possible. Send or phone items to the city editor.

Mrs. MacMillan and Mrs. McLeod of Vancouver, are visiting with Mrs. McSwain, 90 Dallas road.

Commander A. G. Allgood of H. M. S. Egeria, accompanied by Mrs. Allgood, will leave in a day or two for St. John's, whence they will sail for England on the Empress of Ireland.

Mr. and Mrs. Sheppard left this morning on the Princess Victoria and the C. P. R. for Toronto, where they will make a short visit.

Dr. and Mrs. Connell, who have been visiting with friends in the city, left this morning for Winnipeg.

James McDonald and C. S. Gzowski, contractors, of Vancouver, who have been spending a day in the city on business, left for home this morning on the Princess Victoria.

S. Phipps, master mechanic of the Pacific division of the C. P. R., who has been in the city a day or two on business, returned home to Vancouver this morning on the Princess Victoria.

J. D. Prentice, general manager of the Western Canadian Ranching company, left for Vancouver this morning.

Max Leister and Simon Leister went over to Vancouver this morning on a short business trip.

W. R. Hill of Penticton, who has been spending a few days in the city, returned home this morning.

Rev. A. M. Sanford, B. A., B. D., president of the British Columbia conference of the Methodist church, arrived from Vancouver on Tuesday, on business connected with his office. While in Victoria he is the guest of Rev. G. K. B. Adams.

Joseph Patrick, head of the Patrick Lumber company of Nelson, who has been in the city on a brief business trip, returned home this morning. He was accompanied by ex-Mayor Gillette of the same city.

Frank Marwood of Calgary is visiting in the city, the guest of Rev. A. E. Roberts, Victoria West.

Rev. A. E. Roberts has returned from Vancouver, where he was attending a meeting of the programme committee of the Methodist conference, which meets in the Mount Pleasant Methodist church next May.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Y. Griffin of Winnipeg, who intend making their home on the Coast, are spending a day or two in Victoria. They will take up their residence in Vancouver.

Among the passengers on the Princess Victoria this morning for Vancouver, were W. McLean, W. Johnson, W. Ross, W. A. Crane, J. A. Rebbeck, A. B. Cameron, C. Bethune, C. E. Jarvis, W. R. Hill, Mrs. W. Gordon, W. H. Milligan, D. P. Clark, Mrs. Power, J. W. Staples, C. A. Calkins, H. J. Hughes, W. G. Bell, C. R. Brown.

In Good Society.

A lady who prefers to withhold her name, at all events for the present, promises a book of reminiscences which stirs great curiosity as to her identity. She calls it "Leaves from a Life, or, Specimens of Days." One might imagine anyhow that she has stories to tell about quite a number of famous people whom she has personally known.

Two things are at least plain. The writer has mixed in good society, in the intellectual sense of the word, and is herself no lacking young. Nobody expects of young ladies, unless they are captivating young actresses who have just broken the shell of their school days, to write their recollections. The majority of them are too much engaged in enjoying life to talk about it.

There are to be reminiscences in the "Leaves from a Life" of Charles Dickens, Sir Edgar Landseer, Anthony Trollope, Matthew Arnold, Robert Browning and Shirley Brooks. They may be small of course, but the list is attractive and I have not exhausted it by such typical names.

Blood or Environment.

A note of hope for children born of vicious parents and amid degrading influences is sounded by William B. Stretcher of the Children's Home society of Cresham, N. C. From his experience, he concludes that although the proverb, "Blood will tell," is probably founded on fact as far as mental and physical qualities are concerned, those things depending on physiological causes, the same is not true of moral tendencies. On the contrary, he believes that the "heredity of environment" rather than the "heredity of blood" determines the moral character, this conclusion being warranted by many observations of the moral qualities marking persons who, having been rescued from vicious parents at early age, have been brought up amid pure and wholesome surroundings and influences.

Ways and Means.

A couple of girls, after the manner of girls since the world was young were recently discussing the affairs of their various friends.

"I don't see why in the world Clara lets that little snob Charlie Blank come to see her so often!" the dark-haired one said. "They are together almost constantly."

"Hurn," the blonde commented, with a worldly wise little smile.

"Well, I don't." "I wouldn't!" her friend asserted. "He is not good looking and he has such ugly ways."

"Well, perhaps he has ugly ways; but such handsome means," the other said, and something very near a sigh got past the piece of fudge she hastened to put into her mouth.

The Royal Geological Society of Dublin has received the gift of a haboon from Cape Colony. The animal has many amusing tricks. One thousand persons visited the grounds of the society during the past week.

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Mysteries of Sleep.
Sleep seems to suspend the laws of nature. Few human beings can remain awake for six hours without feeling a desire for food. Yet they can sleep forty-eight hours, as did Lord Brougham after his brilliant and exhausting defence of Queen Caroline, and rise refreshed and with no ravens desire to eat. As the American learns during a European tour, one can get along with a very light breakfast indeed.

It is difficult to lie for more than a few minutes in one position while awake without feeling a desire to turn over upon the other side. Yet many persons lie upon one side without moving a muscle through the entire night while asleep and awake in the morning with no sense of physical discomfort. These are curious physical phenomena associated with sleep. There are likewise phenomena of a mental character. For instance, a man may go to sleep with a knotty unsolved problem on his mind and awake in the morning to find it solved.

Sermons in Street Language.

Slander is but soul suicide. Love is goodness with its tongue. All our yesterdays were once tomorrows.

Malice is a terribly deadly gun—at the breech end.

We make mistakes; it is the other fellows who commit sins.

The city with the lid off needs the church with the coat off.

Faith is not a fence about a man; it is a force within him.

The man with time to burn never gave the world any light.

It is a waste of money trying to feed people on bread labels.

You can get the flavor of life's hickory without eating the shell.

Many big sins have a way of getting in with mighty small keys.

Withholding affection is one of the most wasteful economies in life.

Our worst enemies are the friends who have failed to find us profitable.

The Lord is not a refuge for the man who is looking for a soft place to rest.

The church is richer for a cent given with a smile than for a dollar with a frown.

It's the man who hammers the church down who complains most that sky does not rise.

There are better ways of showing your hand than throwing grit in the other man's eyes.

People who are carried away on a wave of enthusiasm usually have to walk back.

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HIGH SCHOOL CADETS WIN OUT BY A POINT

Intermediate Basketball Race
Has Earmarks of Being
Best in League

One of the hottest games that has yet taken place in the intermediate basketball series was that last night between the high school cadets and the J.B.A.A. team. The former won the game by the narrow margin of a point, the only one that they scored in the second period of the playing time was the point that gave them the match.

Excitement near the finish of the game was intense as the Bays had nearly overtaken the big lead the "students" had rolled up in the first half and had set the merriest kind of a pace all through the second half. Although the High School boys were in the fight to the last ditch in this half their efforts did not meet with the success that attended those of their opponents with the result at near the finish the result was very doubtful but victory might easily have rested with either of the contesting teams.

The score in the first half was 15-8 in the schools' favor, and at the end of the full time 16 to 15, and the teams were exerting their best efforts one to keep the lead they had, and the other to get another goal which meant victory to them.

The race for the championship will probably be the prettiest that has been seen in any of the series in the city, as a result of the high schoolers' winning last night, and the next match on Feb. 25 will have much to do with deciding the championship. The Bays and the Emmanuel Baptists will come together on that date, and if the latter win the pennant will go to the students if the Bays come out on top then a tie will be the result, the High School and the Bays will have played, won and lost the same number of games.

This is the way the league standing will appear if the Bays win against the Baptists:

| | P. | W. | L. |
|-------------------|----|----|----|
| High School | 6 | 4 | 2 |
| Bays | 6 | 4 | 2 |
| Emmanuel Baptists | 6 | 2 | 4 |
| Victoria West | 6 | 2 | 4 |

This is the standing of the clubs at present:

| | P. | W. | L. |
|-------------------|----|----|----|
| High School | 6 | 4 | 2 |
| Bays | 5 | 3 | 2 |
| Emmanuel Baptists | 5 | 2 | 3 |
| Victoria West | 6 | 2 | 4 |

The teams last night lined up as follows:

| | J.B.A.A. | Kennedy |
|-------------------|----------|---------|
| High School | Guards | Kennedy |
| Bays | Guards | Kennedy |
| Emmanuel Baptists | Centre | Dakels |
| Victoria West | Forwards | Todd |
| | Forwards | Cox |

All of the men on both teams were in good shape and all played fast basketball. Some of the basket shooting was of the stellar variety and the checking and passing was all that could be desired. The points in the first half were netted by Johnson, Erb and Spencer, 7, 5 and 3 respectively, and for the Bays Dakers, Menzies and Cox, 5, 2 and 1. In the second half Johnson scored the only point that the students got, while Menzies, Todd and Cox got 4, 2 and 1.

CALIFORNIA CREWS ALREADY AT WORK

University Authorities Attempting to Have Intercollegiate Regatta Held April 11

Berkeley, Feb. 19.—The athletes at the state university are taking an early interest in rowing, the most strenuous of spring sports. Coach Garnett has had a varsity and freshman eight on the water every afternoon during the past week.

Owing to the great length of time that must be spent in getting to the bay, on the estuary, and the complicated study schedules of the candidates the coach is having much difficulty in getting the same eights together more than once or twice a week. This is an obstacle which the Stanford coaches do not have to compete with to any such degree, owing to the location of a suitable lake on the campus.

Coach Garnett is planning for a race between two and possibly three eights

SHAMROCKS GIVE CLINCH TO JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

In One-Sided Game Irishmen
Roll Up Big Score On
Y. M. C. A.

The Shamrocks last night in the Y. M.C.A. gymnasium clinched their title to the junior basketball championship by defeating the Y.M.C.A. juniors in a one-sided game by the score of 22 to 3.

The Shamrocks outclassed their opponents at all stages of the game and showed great form throughout. In the first half they piled up a big total of points, while their opponents were unable to score. In the second period the Y.M.C.A. representatives made a better showing locating the net a number of times and being credited with 3 points, while the new champions were successful in getting 8. The scorers in this half for the winners were Keappock and Silver, the loser's goals being secured on one field goal and a foul. The game was free from rough play, only a few fouls being given.

In the absence of an official referee, Bob Whyte, of the Y.M.C.A. senior team handled the whistle, and kept the boys well in hand.

The goals were notched for the winning team by Silver 10, Keappock 8, McDonald 4, while for the losers Erb scored 2 and Fairfull 1.

The Shamrocks with the championship as a result of this match by a total lead of 4 points over their nearest opponents, only having lost one game during the entire season, that to the Victorias.

This is the way the tetams lined up:

| | Y.M.C.A. | Shamrocks. |
|-----------|----------|------------|
| Baker | Guards | O'Leary |
| Fairfull | Guards | O'Rourke |
| Middleton | Centre | Keppock |
| Campbell | Forwards | McDonald |
| Erb | Forwards | Silver |

Just like the baseball fan, the football rooster, the fight follower, the bowler devotee has a language all his own. Here is an epitomized bowler's dictionary. Memorize it!

Split—The bowler's curse—a break among the pins almost impossible to make.

Poodle—A long-eared, brown-haired ball that prefers to roll in the gutter.

Strike—The exact antithesis of the meaning of the same word in the base ball language. In this instance it means that instead of missing the bowler hits everything he wants to hit.

Double—Used when the bowler gets two bowling strikes, not baseball strikes.

Turkey—Denoting three strikes, but shows that the bowler, instead of going out, is just going in.

Spare—What the bowler mercifully does to the pins, although in his bowler's heart he wants to kill 'em all. Some of the pins are left up.

Blow—What would-be bowlers do to spares, meaning that they miss the pins left standing. Corresponds to fizzle in golf, strike in baseball, fumble in football, unintentional fumble in boxing and unusual punkitis in every other sport.

Cherry—Not the kind found in cocktails, but picking one pin off a flock still standing.

A Brooklyn—Soaking the pins on left side and making a strike. So named because it is the wrong side of the bridge.

On the nose—Watch the bowler get a chin when he hits one on the nose. Means hitting the head pin squarely in the face; usually results in a bad split.

Five Hundred Tournament

The eleventh round of the, Fernwood's Five Hundred tournament will take place at their hall, Gladstone avenue, commencing at 8.15 p.m. sharp. The following committee will be in charge of the entertainment tonight: Messrs. Peden, Hendry and Foy, and they extend a cordial invitation to all players of this game in the city to attend.

Borneo holds the record for mosquitoes.

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CANADA TO STAND PAT

Objection to Longboat by Americans Will Be Considered at Proper Time

Toronto, Feb. 19.—Referring to the threatened withdrawal of the American team from the Olympic games if Tom Longboat enters, deputy chief Stark, who is a member of the Olympic committee for Canada, said it would be time enough for a protest to be taken when Longboat is chosen if he qualifies as a competitor. The committee is responsible to the English committee for the amateur standing of all competitors sent, and the Canadian committee will be absolutely sure of their ground before letting Longboat or anybody else go. Stark added with some emphasis that Canadian athletes were not interfering in any way with United States committee doings.

HARVARD'S NEW COACH HAS WINNING HABIT

Percy D. Haughton, the Famous Drop Kicker Should Give Crimson Strong Team

Harvard's football coach for the coming season, Percy D. Haughton, knows how to handle men. His gridiron record shows for itself. He has an attractive personality and with the proper material on which to work should turn out a winning team.

Haughton's ideas must be worth something, for in 1900 and 1901 he coached Cornell eleven and that team defeated Princeton both years, the first time by the score of 5 to 0 and the second 12 to 0.

The new Harvard coach will probably gather around him such men as Jack Hollowell, Pete Bowditch, Dave Campbell, Oliver Cutts and other notable Harvard stars, and it is mighty certain that weekly conferences will be held, the men will be watched more carefully and better team work will result than last season's eleven showed.

As a drop kicker and punter Haughton was probably the best that ever wore the Crimson and this department should be unusually strong next fall. Haughton has also played in the line, hence the linesmen will probably be taught something besides blocking their opponents.

Candidates for Harvard's '08 team will be under an instructor who knows the game because he has played it and who can coach men because he has proven it.

MOTOR CLUB PROSPERS

Over Sixty in Good Standing Now Enrolled as Members of Club

At a meeting of the Motor club members held last evening in the Garasche block it was decided to give the municipality of Oak Bay a number of "go slow" and "keep to the left" signs. The club will also present the public parks board of the city with a number of similar signs with the request that they be erected at Beacon Hill, the Beach Drive and other points. These signs will be similar to the ones used on the Goldstream road.

The club has now a membership of over sixty in good standing, three others being added last night, A. E. Roberts, Gordon Cummings and B. S. Heisterman. It was decided to postpone the annual meeting until the end of March.

WOULD ADOPT MEASURE ENFORCED BY JAPAN

Trades and Labor Council Favor Using Against Japan Their Own Law

To enforce upon the Japanese the same restrictions which are laid by the Japanese government upon white laborers who seek to enter the kingdom of the Mikado is the desire of the trades and labor council of Edmonton, as expressed in a resolution which has been forwarded to the Victoria Trades and Labor council for consideration and approval. At last night's meeting of the local council the following resolution recently passed by the Edmonton council was approved and adopted as follows:

"The Japanese Imperial Ordinance No. 352 of July, 1899, rigorously forbids all foreigners, whether European, American or Chinese, from working in Japan as laborers in agriculture, fishing, mining, manufacturing and other classes of industry outside of the narrow residential settlements defined in former treaties, except by special permission of the local authorities.

"Be it resolved that we, the Trades and Labor Council of Edmonton, shall use our best endeavor and work to have the above law of the Imperial Japanese ordinance No. 352 made operative as a Dominion or provincial law against the encroachment of the Oriental laborer, as we consider it to be the best interests of the white laborer; and be it further added to the above law, that all said Orientals who carry concealed or dangerous weapons shall do so on the pain of deportation; and be it further resolved, that all said treaties in reference to the above law be added and made operative with the above law.

"And be it further resolved that we notify the Trades and Labor congress of Canada and all affiliated bodies in Alberta and British Columbia of said resolution, asking their efforts in support of said law, as we believe it is the only solution to the present influx of Orientals into this country, which is, and always should be, a white country for a white man."

The following resolution endorsing the above was passed: "That this council endorses the sentiments therein expressed and recommends the same to the consideration of the members of the Dominion and provincial governments in connection with the popular question of Oriental exclusion from the Dominion."

A resolution was also passed endorsing the provisions of the Factory act, but we rely upon the fairness of our own legislation.

The usual routine business was also transacted. Dr. Fagan wrote acknowledging receipt of the council's annual subscription to the fund in aid of the Anti-Tuberculosis society, and a letter from the superintendent of the Presbyterian department of church and labor in the United States was received inquiring whether the Ministerial association of Victoria is represented on the trades and labor council, or if any denomination is represented.

WILL TRAIN GOTCH

Omaha, Feb. 19.—Farmer Burns, who is here for his match with War Eagle, the Blackfoot Indian, formerly known in Seattle as Joe Schildt, the slougher, seeks to crimp his man in his post in either branch of his match with George Hackenschmidt, the Russian wrestler, for the world's championship.

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On the Waterfront

FIRST TEST OF THE NATAL ACT

Arrest of Passenger of Tosa Maru Which Arrived Yesterday From Japan

DOMINION TAKES ACTION

Federal Government Will Institute Habeas Corpus Proceedings

The arrival of the steamer Tosa maru, of the N. Y. K. line, Capt. N. K. Yokohama, yesterday, with 135 Japanese passengers on board, 34 of whom were for this port, resulted in the new British Columbia Immigration act being brought into force for the first time, and one of the number, Chojiro Takahashi, chosen by the newcomers from among themselves, was selected to be brought into court to test the constitutionality of the new act. On the arrival of the Tosa at the outer wharf the regular procedure was taken by the federal immigration officials, Dr. Milne and Mr. Roff. They boarded the steamer with the customs officers, all others being refused permission to board. The Japanese passengers were herded on the main deck in the waist of the steamer, where the passengers were examined. There were 47 booked for Victoria. One stowaway who was found, was arrested, to be held for deportation. The newcomers, including five women, were paraded on the deck, and by means of an interpreter they were informed that those who left the steamer here must remain in Canada. In consequence 13 left the number, leaving 34 to land here, as well as one second-class Japanese passenger, who formerly lived at Nelson. The second-class passenger was landed, and Lieut.-Col. F. B. Gregory, acting on behalf of the Dominion government, was on board to secure one of the number who was willing to go into court to test the act's constitutionality. The first man selected easily read the schedule of the act, as required, and would have passed easily; consequently he was rejected by Col. Gregory, and search was made for another man to give the hands of the British Columbia immigration officials and provincial police. Takahashi, who, with many bows, said: "Me spik no," was selected, and Dr. Milne, Dominion immigration officer, landed the 34 for inspection. After examining their eyes and hands, and their papers, they were free from trachoma and had \$25 in cash. The newcomers were marched to the immigration office for the further examination of their passports, to be questioned, etc., and there, last night, the man selected for the test was taken under arrest.

Col. F. B. Gregory, for the Dominion government, will make an application in the local courts this morning for a rule nisi for habeas corpus, this action being taken to have a ruling given as to the constitutionality of the Immigration act passed recently by the British Columbia government, and placed in force yesterday for the first time in this city. The order being made for a rule nisi it will be returnable at some date in the near future, and then habeas corpus proceedings will be commenced. Pending a decision in this regard it is not expected that any action will be taken with regard to others of the 34 new arrivals who fall to pass the educational test imposed by the new act. All were detained last night by Dr. Milne, Dominion official, whose inspection was not complete except in the case of Takahashi, whose examination was hurried to facilitate the test case which the Dominion government gave the officials instructions to make. A portion of the arrivals are able to pass the required educational test.

The Tosa maru, which had a fire in the fourth Yokohama, making the first of four days, brought a cargo of about 3,000 tons of general freight, including 200 tons, consisting of 3,355 packages, bags, bales, etc., of rice, soy and general Chinese and Japanese merchandise for this port. There was but one passenger other than Japanese, Miss Anna C. Hartshorn, from Tokyo for Seattle. S. Tamamura, a Japanese merchant, was the only other saloon passenger. There were fourteen second-class passengers, all Japanese, of whom T. Sato was the only one who landed here.

QUARANTINED JAPANESE FREE THIS MORNING

Will Be Taken to Seattle by Tosa Maru—Quaint Superstition at Kobe

The steamer Tosa Maru, which arrived yesterday from Hongkong and Japan, after discharging her cargo for this port, will proceed to the Sound this morning by way of William Head and will be taken to Seattle by the Tosa Maru, left at the quarantine station two weeks ago, will be embarked. Those for Victoria may be landed today also. There are 135 booked for this port, and on arrival they will have to undergo the educational tests imposed by the new immigration laws, as did those who arrived yesterday. News was brought by the Tosa Maru that the smallpox epidemic at Kobe is waning, fewer cases being found daily. Bubonic plague has increased, however, having been brought from Persia, according to investigations of the quarantine authorities. The Kobe supplement of the Osaka Shimpo publishes an interesting account of a curious local superstition regarding the smallpox. It appears that at Ichinotani, the site of an ancient battlefield in Western Suma, there is a tomb of an old warrior by name Atsumori, who is regarded locally as the deity of smallpox. Consequently, since the outbreak of the present epidemic last November large numbers of persons have worshipped at the tomb. The practice is for these supplicants to take offerings of roasted beans, which are placed in the Japanese calendar names of the year when the worshippers were born. The beans are buried around the tomb and the belief is that if they do not bud the persons concerned will be immune from smallpox for life. As it is hardy in the nature of beans for a roasted bean to bud, the result of the offering is doubtless very comforting to the supplicants. Some of the latter, however, simply throw raw beans on the tomb, and it is said that as much as five barrels of beans have to be cleared away daily. The guardian of the tomb is unable to explain the origin of the practice, but maintains that it is very effective. A priest of Suma temple, when questioned on the subject, said that there was a tradition that the place of burial of the head of the warrior would, if worshipped, cure smallpox disease affecting the head. As February 7 was the 73rd anniversary festival of Atsumori, there was a great gathering at the tomb on that day.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE

Special to Colonist
Tatoosh, 8 a.m.—Cloudy, wind northeast, 6 miles an hour. In. Norwegian steamer Tricolor from San Francisco at 8:20 a.m.
Tatoosh, noon—Clear, wind northwest, 12 miles an hour. In. large four-masted steamer with black stack, Tosa Maru from Yokohama for Victoria at 10:30 a.m.
Tatoosh, 6 p.m.—Clear, wind northeast, 36 miles an hour.

By Wireless
Tatoosh, 9 a.m.—Cloudy, wind west, 6 miles an hour. Barometer 30.35; temperature 40. Bound in steamer Tricolor.
Pachena, 9 a.m.—Fine, clear, wind west. Steamer Tosa Maru in at 9:30 a.m.
Tatoosh, 2 p.m.—Clear, wind northeast, 12 miles an hour. Barometer 30.33; temperature 44. No shipping.
Tatoosh, 6 p.m.—Clear, wind northeast, 8 miles an hour. Barometer 30.27; temperature 45. No shipping.

By Government Wire
Carmanah, 9 a.m.—Light northwest wind, clear, sea smooth. Barometer 30.20. Steamer Tosa Maru bound in from Yokohama. Cape Beale, 9 a.m.—Northwesterly wind, clear; sea smooth. Carmanah, 1 p.m.—Light westerly wind, clear; sea smooth. Barometer 30.20.
Cape Beale, 1 p.m.—North wind, westerly swell. Carmanah, 5 p.m.—Light northwest wind; clear; sea moderate. Barometer 30.20.
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FOR BUNKER COALS

Cambrian King Passes Out For Australia—Eva and Tweeddale To Leave Today

The British steamer Cambrian King, which loaded a cargo of lumber at Portland, passed out yesterday after taking on bunker coal at Nanaimo, bound to Melbourne, Australia. The German steamer Eva and the British steamer Tweeddale, the former from San Francisco and the latter from Portland with cargo, are taking bunker coal at Comox and are expected to sail today, the Eva for Manila and the Tweeddale for Europe. The Eva loaded a cargo at the Golden Gate on account of Barneson, Hibberd & Co., consisting of United States government stores, including army supplies and war munitions.

FAILURE OF TREASURE HUNTING EXPEDITION

Five Gold Pieces Were All That Monterey's Company Recovered From Golden Gate Wreck

Another treasure-hunting expedition to the South Pacific similar to one which some enthusiasts some time ago attempted to organize here, has ended with the return to San Francisco of the schooner Monterey from the wreck of the steamer Golden Gate which went down in 1862 near Manzanillo. Capt. J. W. Johnson, who organized the Monterey expedition on his return, announced that the quest had been a failure owing to the choking of the pumps by the sand in which the bones of the old steamer lay buried. It is understood that no further effort will be made to find this supposed gold mine, as the numerous attempts have convinced Johnson that those who told him that the Golden Gate's treasure had been recovered long ago knew what they talked about.

This latest effort met with enough success to be tantalizing. The pumps worked for a time, and out of the stuff sucked from the ocean's bed the treasure hunters panned out two \$20 gold pieces and one each of \$10, \$5 and \$2.50 gold pieces, also some old copper.

The Monterey left San Francisco November 6 and reached Manzanillo after an eventful trip. The only serious mishap that befell the expedition was the capsizing of a boat in the surf December 10. Peter Kohnke, the ship's carpenter, suffered injuries in the subsequent battle in the surf, from which he died. Alexander Jackson, a seaman, died December 17, a victim of apoplexy.

The steamer Golden Gate left San Francisco in 1862 for New York with a large shipment of gold from the California mines and a big crowd of successful miners. The vessel took fire, and to give those on board a chance for their lives was run ashore off Manzanillo. An expedition that visited the wreck in 1863 is supposed to have recovered the bulk of the treasure.

ORIANA REINSURED AFTER HER ARRIVAL

Failure to Report Tramp Results in Loss to the Underwriters

The steamer Oriana, which recently came from Australia after a very long passage, will be the occasion of some investigation on the part of certain underwriters at Lloyd's who paid ten per cent to reinsure the steamer after she had arrived at Vancouver. The Oriana was reported from Honolulu January 25 last when she was here and this report was published locally, though seemingly not transmitted to England by cable as usual. The consequence was that for more than two weeks afterward 10 per cent was being paid to reinsure the steamer.

The overdue market has received a couple of additions, the American schooner Maroon, 44 days from Sydney for San Francisco, has been insured at 20 per cent, and the Norwegian bark Zambese, 118 days from Rio Grande for the United Kingdom or the Continent is quoted at 10 per cent.

The rate on the British bark Castle Rock has been increased to 92 per cent and grave fears are being felt for her safety. She is now 148 days out from Newcastle for Portland with a cargo of coal. The "Rock" ships have always had a reputation as slow sailors, the Castle Rock on a previous occasion when bound from Shanghai to Victoria having been reinsured as high as 90 per cent when she reached port minus a few sails, but otherwise uninjured. The Beacon Rock is one of the few ships which have arrived safely after being posted as missing at Lloyd's. While on a voyage from Sydney, N. S. W., to Wellington, N. Z., some years ago her steering gear became disabled and, long overdue, she was insured at 90 per cent and her owners were informed by being posted as missing, the ship reached Telchuan, Chili. The Red Rock was also another one of the fleet which continually figured on the overdue list until as the Carnarvon Castle she was burned at sea about two years ago.

The rate on the Uruguayan barkentine Andromeda has been advanced from 20 to 25 per cent. This vessel is 114 days from Newcastle with coal for San Francisco. The nominal rate on the C. P. R. steamer Mount Temple, which went ashore at West Ironbound island, near St. John, N. B., some months ago, has been lowered to 30 per cent, owing to the chances of salvage, now being carried on, being considered good.

ABSENCE OF MEANS FOR LIFE-SAVING

Severe Comments of Seattle Paper on the Government Neglect to Protect Coastline

Under the head of "Murderous negligence" the Seattle Post-Intelligencer speaks of the unguarded condition of the United States North Pacific coast in as far as the absence of life-saving facilities are concerned, as follows: On Sunday night at 11 o'clock a boat, carrying three men in the last stages of exhaustion and one dead man, reached Neah bay, inside of the entrance to the Straits of Fuca. These men were survivors of the American ship Emily Reed, which was wrecked off the mouth of the Nehalem river, on the Oregon coast, at 1:30 o'clock on the previous Friday morning. Without food or water, these men had made the terrible voyage up the coast from the scene of the wreck, a distance of upwards of 200 miles. One of them died from the hardships which he had suffered; the others barely survived.

The hardship and suffering which these men endured en route to the fact that along the coast which they were compelled to pass there was no port at which they could make a landing with their boat in the condition that it was, and no life-saving or signal station from which their plight could be seen and assistance extended to them. Indeed, knowing the absence of all such life-saving facilities, the men in the boat kept well off shore, that they might not be wrecked on the ironbound coast, and to increase the possibility of being picked up by some one of the many passing vessels.

There is no stretch of the Atlantic coast of this country along which a similar incident is possible. There life-saving station adjoins life-saving station in such close proximity that the patrols of one are in touch with the other, and at stations are connected with each other and with the nearest coast towns by telephone. On this coast there are no such complete agencies and only a very few isolated stations. Even had the boat been sighted from the shore, there was no manner in which the word could have been sent in with speed, so that assistance might have reached it; nor, indeed, was there any manner in which such assistance could have been extended, save through the humanity of private owners of vessels.

These facts are not new. A special commission, appointed directly by the president of the United States, reported them in full, almost two years ago. Not one of the recommendations of that commission has as yet been carried into effect. If the recommendations had been carried into effect in full, the hardships, the suffering and the death incident to the terrible voyage in an open boat of these castaways would never have occurred. The shameful and atrocious negligence in providing suitable aids to navigation and proper life-saving appliances for the North Pacific coast of this continent disgraces our government.

Is there no method possible to put an end to the lethargy and disgraceful slowness which has characterized the movements to carry into effect the recommendations of the president's special commission?

The negligence of the federal government in this respect is murderous.

The daily consumption of pens is 3,500,000.

TRICOLOR PASSES UP

Old Norwegian Steamer Proceeds to Nanaimo For Coal—Buoying Telling Wreck

The Norwegian steamer Tricolor which brought full cargo of coal from Norfolk, Virginia, for Maro island under charter to the United States navy department, passed yesterday to load bunker coal at Nanaimo. The Tricolor is the old Wilhelmsten steamer of that name. The firm built a new steamer after disposing of their old one to other Norwegian owners, but after making a voyage to the coast of Alaska and San Francisco the new Tricolor was lost off the California coast. The same firm's steamer Tella was also piled up on the North Pacific coast. With regard to the wreck of that steamer the following despatch was received yesterday from Aberdeen, Wash:

Shipping men are of the opinion that a buoy should be placed on the wreck of the steel steamer Tella, on North Beach, the channel to the entrance to Gray's harbor is said to be taking a decided turn northward, and there is danger of an accident occurring by some vessel running on to the Tella which is now nearly submerged.

BELLEROPHON TAKES LARGE CARGO HOME

Leaves Outer Wharf This Morning With Freight on Board Valued at Over Half Million Dollars

The steamer Bellerophon, of the Blue Funnel line, Capt. Bartlett, arrived in port last night from Seattle and after loading a large shipment of salmon for Liverpool at the outer dock in addition to the salmon and general freight taken on her last voyage, will leave this morning for the select lumber for England, Scotland and Europe. One of the principal portions of her cargo consists of 45,000 cases of canned salmon. She has 450 barrels of tallow, 1,000 tons of flour, 600 tons of salt hering, three cars acetate of lime, 7,000 cases condensed milk, one car steel scrap, one car of soap, one car machinery, forty tons of strawboard for Manila, ten tons of hops for Fremantle, five tons of whalebone for Glasgow, fifty tons of fertilizer for Kobe, in addition to much other general cargo. For Hongkong the steamer is carrying two spars, each seventy-four feet in length and twenty-four inches square.

The Bellerophon has been out from Liverpool since November 10, and will not be back in Great Britain until about May 1.

Included in the Bellerophon's cargo are 5,000 bales of cotton worth about \$300,000. She also has 800,000 feet of lumber for England, Scotland and Europe. One of the principal portions of her cargo consists of 45,000 cases of canned salmon. She has 450 barrels of tallow, 1,000 tons of flour, 600 tons of salt hering, three cars acetate of lime, 7,000 cases condensed milk, one car steel scrap, one car of soap, one car machinery, forty tons of strawboard for Manila, ten tons of hops for Fremantle, five tons of whalebone for Glasgow, fifty tons of fertilizer for Kobe, in addition to much other general cargo. For Hongkong the steamer is carrying two spars, each seventy-four feet in length and twenty-four inches square.

NITRATE SHIPMENTS MEAN MUCH TO CHILI

Steamer Strathspay Expected Here With Shipments For Local Companies

The steamer Strathspay is expected at any time from Mollendo with large shipments of nitrate on board, of which \$50 tons are to be landed here for the Victoria Chemical Works and 50 tons for the Hamilton Powder company. The nitrate shipments form the greatest of all Chili's exports and according to Capt. Rickmann, of the Kosmos liner Salatis, which recently arrived from South American ports enroute from Hamburg, if it were not for the trade in nitrate Chili would be in a bad way. Conditions are so unstable says Captain Rickmann, that the Chilean dollar, whose standard value is about 50 cents is now quoted at only between 6 and 7 pence. This money fluctuates a great deal and in consequence capitalists and shippers doing business in that country are often subject to great annoyance and heavy losses.

Capt. Rickmann states that in consequence of existing conditions capital is nervous about making investments. Chili is a rich country and formerly exported large quantities of wheat. Now, he says, Chili is importing grain and this anomalous state of affairs is largely due to the laziness of the Chilean laborer. Consequently the mariner has arrived at the opinion that did Chili not have nitrate to export there would be little business in the country.

The depreciation of Chilean money may strike the seamen on the Salatis hard. These Chileans are signed on for 50 Chilean dollars per month. When devalued the United States money advanced them are made they will probably have little due them in their native coin when the Salatis returns to Chili and pays these men off.

KYNANCE IS CHARTERED

Will Bring General Cargo From Liverpool—Survey for the Ship Louden Hill

The British ship Kynance, of 1799 tons, commanded by Capt. Auld, which arrived at Glasgow from the Baltic January 22 has been chartered to bring general cargo at Glasgow and Liverpool and is expected to sail from the Mersey about the end of this month for Victoria. She is expected in August, and in bringing a full cargo of salt, pig iron, and general freight.

The British ship Louden Hill is discharging her cargo at the outer wharf, and arrangements are being made for a survey of the vessel sustained damage to her rigging and spars on the voyage out. It is probable that arrangements will be made to have the necessary repairs made at Vancouver after the vessel has discharged her cargo at that port, from where she goes to Tacoma to load wheat for Europe.

J. D. McInnes has been sworn in as a member of the P. E. I. executive. Peterboro has 250 young men who have failed to pay the poll tax.

CHINESE SEEK TO SECURE SHIPPING TRADE

Boycott Begun Against British Vessels Trading On the Coast of Cathay

The British coastwise shipping trade of South China is threatened by a boycott being organized at various ports, which is giving Japanese shipping a further advantage in securing the far-eastern trade for which the Nipponese have been competing since the close of the recent war.

The great British firms at present have a controlling share of all the trade via steamships, both along the China coast and up the many rivers of the small draft boats. Their supremacy has been seriously threatened by the Japanese shipping companies who obtained hundreds of small steamships as the result of the purchases, captures and seizures during the Russian war. The Japanese have become so strong that nearly half the clearances in China are vessels flying the Nippon flag. Their tonnage is smaller, however. The Japanese can operate their vessels so much cheaper than the British vessels that they can make rates too low for profit to the British ships. The Japanese likewise favor their own countrymen every time and are masters at giving rebates and special concessions to shippers.

The boycott is the result of the agitation which followed the refusal of the Chinese government to suppress piracy by organizing a patrol of seven gunboats on the West river. The enforcement of the collection of tolls against Chinese craft by local officials has incensed the people against the foreign craft, most of which are British. The Chinese, who have the backing of officialdom, merchants and traders of native cities, are diverting what trade they can from the British steamers. The Chinese flock to the old Chinese junks and steamships herding together like cattle, while the great decks of the big four and five thousand ton British river boats are deserted. The China Mail, the leading newspaper of Hongkong declares that the boycott against American goods, started because of the exclusion bill, had a bad effect for several years, but that it has now lost its force. But the boycott against the British ships is likely to be of lasting effect and of more force, as it will be undertaken by the most powerful industries of China. It is believed that by the Mail that the Chinese have taken a lesson from the Japanese who have controlled their coastwise shipping for many years and are now seriously competing with the foreigners in the foreign trade.

The native press demand that the Peking authorities enact laws to keep out the foreign ships, but this could not affect the trade between Hongkong and Canton and other ports as the former port is British territory and could not be legislated against.

The Chinese have already a large-sized steamship company now operating along the coast, and several small concerns which operate river steamers. It is planned to buy steamships at first and build them as rapidly as the demands of the trade require. Leading Chinese firms say that in 1900 steamships of British built in foreign countries at prices very low as the vessels are old and cannot be operated by the owners in competition with modern ships, but with Chinese crews and Chinese officers backing the lines, these old boats can be made to pay handsome profits. When new vessels are needed, the Chinese plan to establish shipyards and employ foreign engineers and constructors. But in time the plan calls for Chinese engineers and the government will be asked to send several hundred Chinese students to Europe and America to study the shipbuilding art.

As the local trade of China is estimated to be valued at more than \$1,000,000,000, the Chinese are firm believers in the ultimate success of the plan.

Strike Averted

The threatened strike of boiler makers and iron shipbuilders and the lock-out of the employers has been averted, the men having agreed to accept the modified terms of the employers. It may be fairly said that the honors in this instance are divided between the men and the employers, as far as to limit the reduction to piece rates instead of to all rates—time and piece. The officials of the union tried their best to secure peace and the same time obtain for the men the best possible conditions. But, when it came to a question of strife, they put the case so strongly against a strike that the men gave in and accepted the terms offered. Thus a great industrial war, involving great loss and suffering, was averted. Both may rejoice at the result. The general result of the ending of this dispute will be closer and firmer friendliness of the employers and the union's representatives in dealing with labour questions that may arise. It will estimate in mutual gains which will avert disastrous strikes, and especially those sectional strikes of which employers so bitterly complain.—Engineering.

Although shot through the brain, Augustus Windsor, master of the Ragdoll School for Combie, Dublin, who killed his wife and children and then attempted to commit suicide, was able to talk in a rational manner for some hours.

MOVEMENT OF VESSELS

| Steamers to Arrive From the Orient. | | |
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| Vessel. | From. | Date. |
| Ning Chow | From Hongkong. | Feb. 20 |
| Kumier | From Hongkong. | Mar. 13 |
| Monong | From Hongkong. | Mar. 22 |
| Empress of Japan | From Hongkong. | Mar. 1 |
| Empress of China | From Hongkong. | Mar. 30 |
| Moana | From Hongkong. | Mar. 12 |
| Marama | From Hongkong. | April 9 |
| Aorangi | From Hongkong. | May 7 |
| Manuka | From Hongkong. | June 4 |
| From Australia. | | |
| Georgia | From Liverpool. | Feb. 20 |
| Ning Chow | From Hongkong. | Dec. 5 |
| Antiochus | From Hongkong. | Jan. 4 |
| Teucer | From Hongkong. | Feb. 2 |
| From Skagway. | | |
| Princess Beatrice | From Skagway. | Mar. 2 |
| Northern British Columbia route. | | |
| Queen City | From Skagway. | Mar. 5 |
| Amur | From Skagway. | Feb. 29 |
| From West Coast. | | |
| Tees | From San Francisco. | Feb. 27 |
| From San Francisco. | | |
| Umatilla | From San Francisco. | Mar. 23 |
| City of Puebla | From San Francisco. | Mar. 1 |
| Umatilla | From San Francisco. | Mar. 8 |

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| Jan. Newwith, Newcastle | | Dec. 28 |
| Tosa Maru | | Newcastle |
| Clan Gairbith, Santa Rosalia | | |

Steamers to Sail

For the Orient.

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Date

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| Bellerophon | | Feb. 20 |
| Tosa Maru | | Mar. 3 |
| Monteagle | | Mar. 5 |

For Australia.

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| Aorangi | | Feb. 28 |
| Den of Ruthven | | Feb. 15 |

For Mexico.

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| Georgia | | Mar. 1 |
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For Skagway.

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| Princess Beatrice | | Feb. 21 |
| War Northern British Columbia | | Mar. 1 |
| Amur | | Mar. 1 |
| Vadso | | Mar. 4 |
| Queen City | | Mar. 5 |
| Camonan | | Feb. 26 |

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AMENDMENTS TO CROWN LANDS LAW

Various Changes Made and the Act Consolidated by Measure Introduced

An act to amend and consolidate the laws affecting crown lands was introduced by Hon. F. J. Fulton, chief commissioner of lands and works, at the session of the legislature.

The original act regarding crown lands has been encumbered with many amendments, and the present measure consolidates them. A number of changes and amendments are also made.

An amendment is made to the clause governing the pre-emption of surveyed lands, allowing the chief commissioner to permit the recording of lots which in a survey which has been gazetted have exceeded 160 acres. The clause is limited to 20 acres.

The clause is as follows: "Provided, however, that in cases of the survey of lands by the crown, or of lands the survey of which has been gazetted, in which the area of a lot, or of a sub-division of a township, exceeds one hundred and sixty acres, the chief commissioner of lands and works shall have power to permit of a subdivision of such lot or subdivision, but such excess area shall in no case be more than twenty acres."

"Provided, further, that any person desiring to pre-empt in a quarter section of land being a subdivision of a township, or a portion of a surveyed lot, the survey of which has been gazetted, must confine such application to one particular quarter of such section or lot, or legal subdivision thereof, and shall not be permitted to include any portion of another quarter section, or lot, or any additional land outside the boundaries thereof."

Sale of Lands.
Several amendments to the regulations governing the sale of crown lands are made.

The lieutenant-governor in council is given power to permit the sale under the terms of the act of foreshore lands, tidal lands, the bed of the sea, or lands covered by any navigable water, quarries or lands suitable for fishing stations or cannery sites.

Indians are denied the right to purchase surveyed lands, and any person is limited to the purchase of 160 acres of surveyed lands under section 36, which reads as follows:

"So much of the unappropriated and unoccupied lands of the province, the surveys of which have been duly made and confirmed in the British Columbia Gazette, which are not the sites of towns or the suburbs thereof, nor Indian settlements, and as are not reserved from sale by the lieutenant-governor in council, may be classified in the same manner as unsurveyed lands, and purchased at the same price; provided, however, that the provisions contained in sub-sections (11) and (14) of section 34 shall apply to lands under this section."

"Provided also that whenever so ordered by the lieutenant-governor in council such surveyed lands, as may

be deemed expedient from time to time, may be put up at public sale (of which due and sufficient notice shall be given), at an upset price not less than the classified price provided by this act, 1901, c. 30, s. 5.

By an amendment to section 46, in staking land to be held under lease, the applicant for the said lease is given one day additional to the thirty days granted for the publication of his notice for every ten miles he is distant from the office of the land commissioner.

Hand Logging.

By a new section, No. 59, the chief commissioner is empowered to grant a special license upon the payment of \$50 to any person to cut timber on such crown lands not being timber limits on the mainland and north of a line drawn east and west from Rivers Inlet and west of the 127th meridian. This license is personal and is only for hand logging and lasts a year.

Reserves for Indians.

The following amendment is added to clause 79, providing for the reservation of lands for Indians:

"Provided always, that it shall be lawful for the lieutenant-governor in council to, at any time, grant, convey, sell or dispose of, on such terms as may be deemed advisable, the interest of the province, reversionary or otherwise, in any Indian reserve, or any portion thereof, to such person or persons as may have secured from the Dominion government and the Indians a grant or surrender of their rights in such reserve, or portion thereof: Provided that a return of any alienations made under the provisions of this section be submitted to the legislature at the next sitting following such alienations, within fifteen days after the opening thereof."

Tide Lands.

The following clause, No. 84, is new: "There shall be reserved a strip of land, one chain in width, measured from high-water mark, from all crown land extending to the sea, or any inlet thereof. The land so reserved, or any portion thereof, may be used for a highway, or may be leased or granted upon such terms as the lieutenant-governor in council may deem proper."

In all former crown grants the above exception was recorded in the actual papers. This makes it statutory. The following clause, No. 94, "The provisions in connection with the reservation of royalty on coal contained in the two preceding sections shall cease to be operative from and after the first day of July, 1908," was necessary in the light of the amendment to the Coal Tax act which goes into force July 1, 1908.

In Case of Dispute.

The following is a new section, No. 123: "In any application under the provisions of this act regarding which any adverse claim or protest may have been lodged, or objection taken, the chief commissioner of lands and works, or the assistant commissioner of lands and works for the district, when so directed by the chief commissioner of lands and works, shall have power to hear, settle and determine the rights of the adverse claimants, and to make such order in the premises as he may deem just, and for all and any of the purposes aforesaid he shall have full power to summon and examine under oath the parties and witnesses, but such decision and order, if made by an assistant commissioner, if any, shall be subject to re-

view by the chief commissioner of lands and works, and subject to appeal as provided by section 106 of this act: Provided that, in case any dispute as to the staking arises, the right to the completion of the application may be recognized according to priority of such staking."

NEW MEASURES ARE INTRODUCED

(Continued from Page Two)

been surveyed by the government, be required to pay cost of survey?

Hon. Mr. Fulton replied: "1. None. Some advertised but not applied for. 2. None. 3. \$548 preemption; \$548 purchase; \$548 university (purchase). 4. Yes; 25 cents per acre."

Mr. Kerwin enquired: 1. How much of the 53,336 acres surveyed by J. H. Gray in the Bulkley valley had been preempted previous to survey? 2. How much of the said 53,336 acres had applications to purchase been received previous to survey? 3. How much of the said 53,336 acres surveyed were available for preemption after completion of survey? 4. Will the applicants to purchase unsurveyed lands, which have since been surveyed by the government, be required to pay cost of survey?

Hon. Mr. Fulton replied: "1. 520 acres (exclusive of scrip land). 2. None. 3. All except 520 acres previously preempted, and approximately 1,140 acres scrip land. 4. Yes; 25 cents per acre."

"Note—About 40,600 acres of above survey are in Bulkley valley, the remainder lying to the south."

Read Third Time.

The bill authorizing the Ladysmith Lumber company, Ltd., to construct and operate a railway for logging and lumbering purposes was on motion of Mr. Grant, Comox, read the third time and passed.

Employment of Workmen.

Mr. Williams introduced a bill to Regulate the Procuring or Employment of Workmen, and it was read the first time.

Respecting Dentistry.

The Hon. Mr. Bowser will tomorrow introduce a bill entitled An Act Respecting Dentistry.

Questions for Tomorrow.

The following questions will be asked tomorrow: Is it the intention of the government to call for tenders for the coal supplied to the various government departments in Victoria in the future?—By Mr. Hayward, Cowichan.

1. What amount of taxes were paid by the chartered banks operating in the province in 1907? 2. What amount has been assessed each chartered bank operating in the province for 1908? 3. How many branches has each bank in the province?—By Mr. Thomson, Victoria City.

Have any seizures been made of timber logs or piles in the electoral district of Delta under the provisions of the Land act? 2. If so, whose timber was so seized? 3. On what date was the seizure made? 4. What description and amount of timber was so seized? 5. What were the reasons for the seizures in each case? 6. What settlement (if any) was made in each case, and date of settlement? 7. Are there any cases remaining unsettled?—By Mr. Oliver, Delta.

On motion of the hon. the premier, the house adjourned at 4:55 o'clock.

University Bill.

The following five new clauses appear in the act as distributed yesterday to establish and incorporate a university for the province of British Columbia.

All real property which is now, or which hereafter shall be, vested in the university shall, as far as the application thereof of any statute of limitations is concerned, be in the same position as real property vested in the crown for the public uses of the province.

No appointee (other than the president) of the board of governors of the university, under the powers conferred by section 39, subsection (f), shall be eligible to be a member of the board. No employee in the service of the education department, nor any principal or teacher in any high school, shall be eligible to be a member of the board.

No member of the executive council, during his term of office, shall be appointed or become a member of the board.

If any member of the board accepts any of the positions or offices set out in sections 34, 35 and 36, he shall ipso facto, vacate his appointment as a member of the board, and a declaration of such vacancy entered on the minutes of the board shall be conclusive evidence thereof.

This bill, which now consists of 104, in lieu of 99 clauses, is in the report stage.

MUSIC AND DRAMA

Arion Club Concert.

The second concert of the sixteenth season of the Arion club will be given on Wednesday evening, February 26, in the Victoria theatre, at 8:30 sharp. An interesting programme has been prepared by the club, drawn from old and new selections. The club will be assisted by Miss Winifred Lugin of this city, and Kaethe Piezonka, a violinist player, who has lately come to Tacoma from Germany, where she had been playing for the last six or seven years. The accompaniments will be played by Miss Miles, which is always a treat. The box office will open on Monday morning at 10 o'clock, when the tickets will be exchanged for theatre coupons. Those associate members who may not happen to receive their tickets before Monday will oblige the committee by notifying either Mr. Warrington or Mr. Kent of Watt & Co., Government street.

The programme will be as follows: 1. Lutzow's Wild Chase C. M. Von Weber C. M. Von Weber 2. Concerto in A minor. Gottmann (a) Allegro. (b) Cantabile. (c) Finale. Kaethe Piezonka. 3. Two Cavalier Songs of Robert Browning Granville Bantock 4. Folk Song G. L. Osgood 5. Roberto, Otuche Adoro... Myrbeer Miss Winifred Lugin. 6. Vocal March in Canon Form Dudley Buck 7. Serenade from the "Fencing Master" R. de Koven (With soprano solo by Miss Lugin.) 8. (a) Kol Nidrei Max Bruck (b) Ah! Bebel (17th century) J. Offenbach Kaethe Piezonka.

9. Hong Kong Romance H.K. Hadley
10. Home Sweet Home Arr. by Dudley Buck
11. Oh! for a Day of Spring A. F. Andrews
12. Sailors' Chorus from "The Flying Dutchman" Wagner
- "God Save the King."

Next Monday's Attraction.

Local theatre goers will receive with pleasurable anticipation the announcement that Klaw & Erlanger will offer at the Victoria theatre, Monday next their lavishly appointed production of George H. Cohan's popular and unique mixture of melody and melo-drama "Forty-Five Minutes From Broadway." This play is not like any of the former efforts of the successful young actor author, but is different in theme and treatment from any attraction within the memory of the present generation of play lovers and by many it is claimed to be the highest mark of quality that Mr. Cohan has yet achieved. While there are a number of typical Cohan song hits introduced during the three acts and made more effective by a well balanced chorus, well thought out story replete with the several surprises and some very strong dramatic situations, is closely adhered to throughout. The new departure in this direction was responsible in a large measure for the tremendous vogue the play enjoyed in New York and Chicago where it ran continuously for over a year, with practically the same cast that will be seen here. Scott Welch in his famous role of "Kid Burns," the ex-slange prize fighter and Miss Frances Gordon will be seen as "Mary," a servant girl, in New Rochelle, a town exactly three-quarters of an hour distant by train from New York's main thoroughfare and in which the story of the play is laid.

ALDERMEN PUZZLED

Winnipeg Electric Railway Company's Generous Offer to City Regarded as Mysterious

Winnipeg, Feb. 19.—A secret informal session of the city council was held this morning, at which the offer of the Electric Railway company to allow the city to go into the electric light business without purchasing the Assiniboine avenue plant and the substations was discussed. C. F. Wilson, who is acting for the city, was present, but no news was given out as to what transpired.

The aldermen are completely non-plussed at the offer of the Electric Railway company, and regard it as a very strange one. Mayor Ashdown when approached on the subject did not seem to be inclined to discuss it at all, and would not express any opinion on the offer.

Lord's Day Trouble.

Winnipeg, Feb. 19.—A new phase has developed in connection with those charged with breaking the Lord's Day act, which, it appears, may cause even greater trouble than before. The declaration of the defendants is that every case convicted will be appealed to a higher court, and if nothing can be done there the defendants will go as before and satisfy themselves by paying a fine weekly.

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LEADER OF BOXERS PASSES FROM SCENE

General Tung Fuh Siang, Who Gave Most Trouble to Allies

Shanghai, Feb. 18.—General Tung Fuh Siang, the leader of the Boxers in the uprising in 1900, is dead. He had been banished to Kansu.

General Tung Fuh Siang was regarded at one time as the ablest and most powerful of the Chinese generals. He was neither a Chinaman nor a Manchurian, but was born in Central Asia among Mohammedan people. His early career is unknown, but nearly twenty years ago he was a brigadier general in Akua, Kashagria. Later he was entrusted with the task of subjugating the Tungan rebellion in the province of Kansu, in which he was conspicuously successful. For that he was put in command of the troops in Shensi and Kansu.

In the uprising in 1900 he appeared at Pekin at the head of ten thousand troops, largely recruited from ex-Mohammedans. When the anti-foreign outbreak came to a head General Tung was the one commander who achieved any success against the allies. In February, 1901, in conformity with the demands made by the ministers of the powers, General Tung, together with other leaders in the uprising, was ordered to be degraded and deprived of his rank.

Japan's Reply to U. S.

Tokio, Feb. 18.—The reply of Japan to the memorandum from the United States government of January 26th will be handed to Ambassador Thomas J. O'Brien tomorrow, Feb. 19. The document, which has been carefully prepared, outlines plans for the proposed future control of the emigration of Japanese to America. It includes many concessions which followed the conferences between Ambassador O'Brien, Viscount Hayashi, Japanese minister of foreign affairs, Baron Ishii, chief of the bureau of commerce, and D. W. Stephens, advisor to the Japanese embassy at Washington. It is believed that the proposed plans will settle all the existing differences.

INSURANCE VIEWS

Representative of British Company Heard Before Committee—Some Opinions Differ

Ottawa, Feb. 19.—B. Hall Brown, Montreal manager for the London and Lancashire Life Insurance company, was heard today on behalf of British life insurance companies doing business in Canada before the Commons banking and commerce committee in connection with the government insurance bill. Mr. Brown advocated a quinquennial distribution of profits to policy-holders and the assumption of these profits as a liability on new business from the day the bill goes into effect, and on old business after 1914. He opposed all statutory limitation of expenses. He submitted forms in which he thought the insurance companies should be made to report to the insurance department to obtain the fullest publicity. British companies had nothing to say about the insurance department that was uncompromising. In the United States the department had given the companies a clean bill of health up to the time of the Armstrong committee of inquiry. In Canada the insurance department had been aware in advance of all the irregularities that the royal commission had brought out. Concluding, Mr. Brown advised the government to follow British rather than American standards in insurance law.

D. W. Bole, M. P. for Winnipeg, read a protest from the Winnipeg board of trade against the prohibition of individual underwriting in fire insurance. Chairman Miller read protests from a number of life underwriters' associations, including one from Saskatchewan, against limiting insurance expense, while Mr. Owens M. P. for Northumberland East read a letter from J. F. Ellis formerly of the Manufacturers' Life favoring the limitation of expenses.

Drove Tack Through Boy's Tongue.
Now Philadelphia, Ohio, Feb. 19.—The trustees of the Tuscarawas county children's home investigated the charge today that Miss Clara Sterling, assistant matron of the home, drove a tack through a six-year-old boy's tongue, and ordered Miss Sterling dismissed from the institution.

It is proposed to increase the insurance of the city hall, Hamilton, from \$62,000 to \$100,000.

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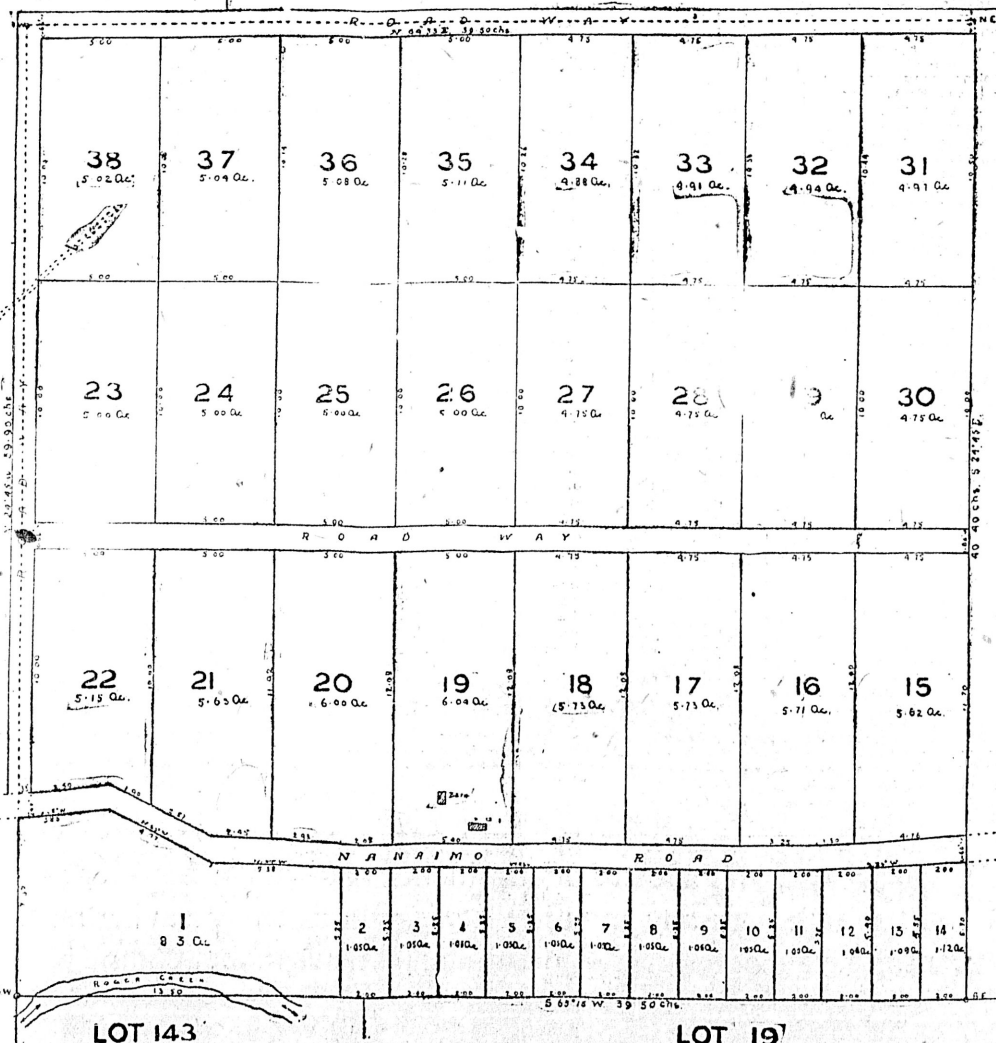
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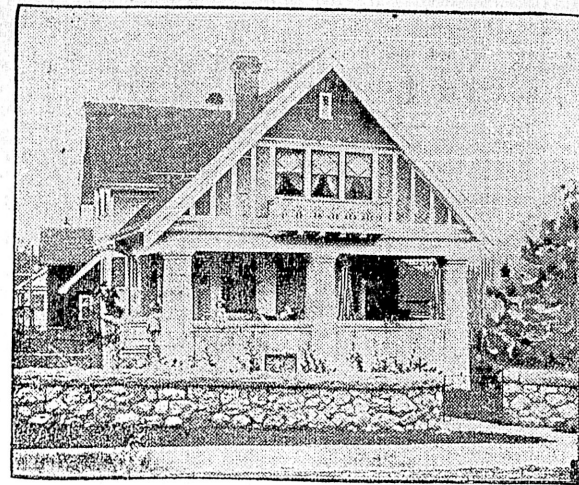
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BREAKFAST ROOM is done in the old Dutch design; the finish is in light weathered oak. The conservatory is off this room. The floors throughout on the lower floor are of weathered oak.

DEN is finished in Mission style, and walls done in green burlap. It is heated by a gas grate.

NURSERY. The lower part of the walls are painted from "Mother Goose" pictures. Another feature is that the floors are "deadened" to confine the noise to the nursery. Chests of drawers and cupboards are built for toys to be put in.

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Mainland News

EXCLUSIONISTS TO HOLD BIG PARADE

Extreme Section Carries the Day at Mass Meeting in Vancouver

Vancouver, Feb. 19.—Amid great enthusiasm, and by a virtually unanimous vote, the citizens of Vancouver in mass meeting assembled at the city hall last night decided to hold a demonstration and street parade on Saturday, March 7, at 8 p. m., as a protest against Oriental immigration and Oriental competition.

Before the principal motion was submitted various members of the Asiatic Exclusion League, including its vice-president, J. E. Wilton, Gordon Grant, secretary, and R. B. Alt, of the executive committee, protested against the proposition to hold a parade. All three gave notice that if such an affair were carried out they would sever their connection with the league. A majority of the vast audience refused to listen to the warnings of what trouble might arise in the event of another demonstration. Argument after argument was jeered or laughed at. At the conclusion of the meeting Mr. Gordon resigned his resignation, and it is understood Messrs. Grant and Alt will follow suit.

S. J. Gothard, formerly an officer of the league, and Gordon Grant had a verbal set-to that further enlivened the proceedings.

The meeting also adopted resolutions censuring the Toronto Globe for declaring that the Lemieux "understanding" was acceptable to the citizens of Vancouver; and it also asked the British Columbia members at Ottawa to resign and seek re-election.

Chinatown and the Japanese quarter were in an apprehensive state all evening, fearing that there would be a repetition of the scenes of last September after the meeting. But the hundreds at the meeting had no idea of making trouble. As a precautionary measure, and in view of the application of the Japanese for protection, Chief Chamberlain had extra policemen stationed on Westminster avenue, near Powell Street, and at the approaches to Chinatown. Reserves were readied in the police station until after midnight.

S. J. Gothard made a red-hot speech in favor of a monster street parade. Mr. Gothard's "ginger" appealed to the vast audience. Mr. Gothard put on his fighting clothes.

"The McBride government is the tool of the C. P. R., and the Laurier government is the tool of the Grand Trunk Pacific," he warmly asserted. "Chinamen in a brief but pointed speech, to force Ottawa to disallow the law, and Lemieux in turn gets legislation which embarrasses McBride, and we, the people, are the football of both."

"I came here to show where I stand on the Asiatic question," said Ald. Cameron, in a brief but pointed speech. "I have always been an exclusionist. It rests with ourselves whether this shall be a white or an Oriental province. I am opposed to a street parade. Such demonstrations do no good and may result in harm. Let us act by constitutional means."

After a lively debate this resolution proposed by J. E. Phillips, seconded by G. Payne, was adopted by a vast majority:

"Resolved that, inasmuch as the only way in which we can attract the attention of the powers that be to the danger of the overwhelming hordes of Asiatics in our midst is by a display of our strength in the form of a parade, at this meeting decides to hold a demonstration and grand parade to take place on Saturday, March 7, at 8 p. m., and that a committee of five be hereby appointed to make arrangements for the same."

This committee is composed of S. J. Gothard, J. E. Phillips, G. Payne, and C. C. Gladwin. Mr. Gladwin subsequently stated that he would not serve as he did not favor a parade.

Amidst interruptions, Gordon Grant made an impassioned protest against the holding of the parade. If it were held he would resign from the league. He wished it distinctly understood that such a demonstration must not be regarded as having any connection with the league.

"Look what has been done in five months," said he. "Laurier and McBride have both changed front. Sir Wilfrid at the outset referred to the question as a trades union movement, and now he admits that it is a national movement. In the eyes have been opened."

"Those who favor a parade should recall that the last one cost \$15,000 and the Chinese claims are still unpaid," resumed Mr. Grant. "What will a second parade cost? I desire to remind you that the league will disavow all responsibility for the consequences, and I am a citizens' meeting. I will no longer belong to the league if anything is done here to incite riot and the destruction of property. If the league is a party to the parade I wash my connection with it in case of evil consequences. A parade will do no good. It may do harm."

R. B. Alt followed, arguing against holding a parade.

J. E. Armstrong, sr., predicted a race war. He said each man in the parade should carry a rifle over his shoulder and a revolver in his belt. It was well known that the Japanese were armed and the whites had the right to do likewise. If they didn't follow his ad-

SETTLERS TO FLOCK TO NECHACO VALLEY

Immigrants to Come From Wisconsin And Other Middle States

Vancouver, Feb. 19.—Nechaco Valley in Cariboo district, which will be traversed by the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, will be the objective this spring of hundreds of settlers from the middle states.

Twenty-two thousand acres of land have already been disposed of. Of this quantity eight thousand acres have been secured by German Lutherans of Wisconsin, who intend to establish a colony. The valley is situated about 320 miles north of Ashcroft.

News of the impending trek was given out today by J. F. Appleton, of Cranbrook, Dakota, who returned from the East a few days ago. Mr. Appleton visited the Nechaco valley last year and acquired 52,000 acres of farm lands there. He was formerly engaged in banking in his native state.

"At least 100 settlers with their families from the middle states will locate in the valley in May," said he. "The majority of them have bought farms averaging 240 acres at the rate of \$12 per acre. Their representatives in many instances have already visited the valley and reported favorably on its agricultural possibilities. Grain of all kinds, roots and vegetables can be raised there to perfection. There will be a cash market for their products owing to the early construction of the Grand Trunk Pacific railway."

"As the demand for land still continues the initial influx will be largely increased during the summer months. A tract of land comprising 8,000 acres has been acquired by German Lutherans of Minnesota. They intend to establish a model colony. Fifty settlers will be the nucleus of the colony early in the spring. After getting in their crops they will send for their families. The journey there will be made in wagons from Ashcroft. Access to the valley will soon be simplified as the government and the G. T. P. are co-operating in building a wagon road through northern Cariboo in order to facilitate the bringing in of railway supplies. The Nechaco valley can easily support a large population as it contains 150,000 acres of first class farm-land and 50,000 acres of second class land."

Mr. Le Baron, intending to leave tonight for California, where he will examine some important engineering schemes, and he will then go to Ottawa, where he will meet Mayor Keary and J. B. Kennedy, M. P., and lay before the government a request from the city and district of New Westminster for aid in carrying out a course of harbor and channel improvements on the Fraser river.

RETAILERS REBEL

Royal City Grocers Object to Vancouver Wholesalers Filling Retail Orders

New Westminster, Feb. 19.—War has been declared between the whole sale and retail grocers of this city and Vancouver over what the retailers allege is unfair treatment at the hands of the large dealers.

Some time ago, retailers say, they became aware of the fact that the wholesale men were supplying hotels, restaurants, logging camps and other large consumers of groceries at wholesale prices, and thus cutting the retail man off from any chance of securing the trade, and this they claimed was unfair, since the wholesaler secured his main trade from the retailer.

A request was made to the wholesalers to stop the practice, but they refused, and a meeting of the retailers of this city and Vancouver was held this week, when it was decided, that unless the wholesalers agreed, within a certain time to stop the practice of catering to any one but those in the trade, the grocers would buy their supplies from the East, or from those who signed an agreement to stop the objectionable practice. Some of the large dealers have already signified their willingness to do so, but others are still holding out, and the war is on.

Settled Out of Court.

New Westminster, Feb. 19.—The Mission v. McRae case, in which Proprietor McRae of the Bellevue hotel at Mission, sought to restrain Proprietor Windebank of the Matsqui hotel from starting in the hotel business there, has been settled out of court.

Hindu Refuge Scorching.

New Westminster, Feb. 19.—A large building at the West End, owned by Lee Cottoy and occupied by Hindus, was gutted by fire last night. The city has been negotiating with the owners for its destruction for some time.

Lulu Island Bridge.

New Westminster, Feb. 19.—Engineer J. A. L. Waddell of Kansas City, who is at present in Vancouver, has submitted an estimate of the cost of the proposed Lulu Island steel bridge in this city, which he set at \$76,000. The specifications he worked on, however, are not in accordance with the city plans, and he will be asked to submit another estimate.

This Will Interest Old Folks

Life to elderly people can only be pleasant when all the faculties are active. But as we all know, the human body is merely a machine. It gradually grows weak in spots, and must be patched here and there or break down.

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ORANGEMEN MEET

Provincial Grand Lodge and Grand Black Chapter Hold Sessions at Armstrong

Armstrong, Feb. 19.—The Orange special car from Vancouver arrived here at 9:30 o'clock Monday night, thirteen hours late. The Provincial Grand Black chapter immediately assembled and proceeded with the appointment of committees and the reception of the reports of the grand master, grand registrar and grand treasurer. An adjournment was then taken to 8:30 next morning to allow the committees to prepare their reports.

These reports, presented this morning, showed the Black chapter to be in a flourishing condition throughout the province. The election of officers resulted as follows:

Grand master, Edwin Bush, Mission City; deputy master, W. T. Jago, Vancouver; associate, D. W. H. Dunmore, Vancouver; chaplain, W. H. Brett, Vancouver; registrar, J. J. Tulk, Vancouver; treasurer, R. Fawcett, Vancouver; lecturer, Alex. Armstrong, Cumberland; first censor, H. T. Thrift, Hazelmore; first standard-bearer, John Walsh, Victoria; second standard-bearer, A. B. Langdale, Vancouver; pursuivant, W. T. Holby, Armstrong; honorary deputy grand chaplain, Rev. Merton Smith, Vancouver; deputy grand registrar, Charles Elliott, Vancouver; deputy grand treasurer, H. Wilkinson, Kamloops; deputy grand lecturer, D. Gibbard, Mission City; deputy grand lecturer to the M. W. Grand Black chapter, W. E. Durr; New Westminster; Tyler, H. G. Taylor, Vancouver; executive committee, M. Stevenson, Chilliwack; Hugh McDonald, New Westminster; R. G. Patterson, New Westminster; D. C. McLaren, Vancouver; R. J. Doherty, Nanaimo; H. Meldrum, Armstrong.

The Orange Grand Lodge session opened at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon with a large attendance of delegates from all parts of the province.

Royal City Wedding.

New Westminster, Feb. 19.—The wedding of Miss Cameron of this city and Miss Caroline Dotzinger of Ladner occurred at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Pales, Victoria street, last night, the ceremony being performed by Rev. J. S. Henderson.

Milk Dealer Fined.

Vancouver, Feb. 19.—For having in his possession milk which was below the standard set by the provincial regulations governing the sale of milk, John Chong, proprietor of the B. C. cafe, on Westminster avenue, was fined \$50 and costs by Magistrate Williams in the Police court yesterday morning.

Jumped From Second Story.

Vancouver, Feb. 19.—Imagining that he was being followed by his supposed enemies and in order to escape them, John Campbell, a man who was the worse for liquor, rushed out on the fire escape of the Fulton rooming house on Hastings street east, this morning at 2:30 o'clock and jumped from the second story to the street. He was removed to the general hospital. His injuries are serious.

Thief's Discomfiture.

Vancouver, Feb. 19.—A prominent resident of Howe street, a well known cannery man, who was wending his way home last Saturday night, pulled up his watch at the lane on Robson street, between Granville and Howe, to ascertain the time. The watch was held only by an unattached fob, and the citizen noticed a suspicious character loitering in the shadows a short distance ahead. He slipped

ped his watch into his pantaloons pockets instead of his vest pocket, its regular spot. Arriving at the dark spot, the vicious character made a lunge and grabbed for the watch pocket, but the citizen, who is no small man, landed him a solar plexus and winded him so badly that it was with difficulty the rascal made his escape. He did this, however, by running swiftly up the dark alley and pursuit of him was fruitless. The matter was not reported to the police.

Vandals Abroad.

Vancouver, Feb. 19.—Some unknown person made his way into J. H. Brook's stables on Sunday night and cut up harness valued at \$55. The police are now looking for the party. Some time ago a set of harness, was stolen from the stables, but the thief was never apprehended.

Bull River Power Plant.

Cranbrook, Feb. 19.—At Bull River an enormous power and hydraulic plant is under construction. The power plant when installed will have a capacity of not less than 8,000 horsepower, and will be used for generating electricity, for power and lighting purposes, to be transmitted to every city, town and camp in Southeast Kootenay. The hydraulic plant will be the largest in the district. Bull River will be diverted, so as to enable the company to wash the bed of the river, also the old channels. The ground has been prospected, and surveyed for a hydraulic plant, and gold in paying quantities is known to exist over a large area.

Logger Killed.

Prince Rupert, Feb. 19.—A sad accident occurred at one of the B. C. Tie & Timber company's logging camps to Jules Loutens, a Belgian, who lost his life while assisting the hook tender. A log in the process of being hauled out caught in the skid road and swung round, striking the deceased on the left side, rendering him unconscious. He expired about 7 p. m. Deceased bore an exemplary character and had upwards of \$1,200 in the banks at Winnipeg. He intended going back to Belgium next fall to be married and return to the West. He was about 27 years of age. The body was taken to Port Simpson, where the funeral will be held. The provincial police have taken charge of the effects.

A number of men have absented themselves from work at the Trimsaran, Wales, Colliery, in consequence of a statement of a young woman that a clairvoyant, whom she had consulted, had predicted an accident by fire or water in the mine. The shortage of labor is causing much inconvenience. Some of the colliers visited the alleged prophetess, who denied having predicted a calamity but described the workings and advised the men to be extremely careful.

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On Saturday he will attend at 9 a. m. only.

Anyone wishing his services as Electric Wiring Inspector may address him at the city office or call on him there at the hours above mentioned.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
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Victoria, B. C., City Clerk's Office,
February 19, 1908.

LAND REGISTRY ACT.

In the Matter of an Application for a Duplicate Certificate of Title to the Easterly Half of Lot 636, Victoria City.

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CANADIAN CLUB HOLDS ITS ANNUAL MEETING

Mr. Justice Lampman Elected President for the Ensuing Year

That the Canadian club of Victoria is in an extremely prosperous condition and is fulfilling the purpose which those who were instrumental in securing its organization had hoped would be accomplished was shown last evening when the second annual meeting of the club was held in the council chamber at the city hall. There was a large attendance of over sixty members being present, and the reports submitted showed that the efforts of the club to promote a national sentiment along broad and patriotic lines had begun well and had been attended, during the past year, with great success. The enthusiasm shown at last night's meeting indicated plainly that the institution of such an organization here in Victoria was most opportune and that from the beginning the Canadian club of Victoria has won the confidence and approval of the men of this city. The business of the meeting consisted chiefly of the reading of the various reports, the election of officers and the discussion of future work. Judge Lampman will be president of the club for the coming year.

A. W. McCurdy, the retiring president, occupied the chair and after congratulating the members on the large attendance submitted his report, which was as follows:

President's Report

A little over a year ago when we met on the street, in our offices, or homes, for the purpose of turning to discuss the advisability of associating ourselves together for the purpose of joining in a movement for the promotion of a national sentiment along broad, patriotic lines. Our attention was directed to the work being done by the Canadian clubs of Hamilton, Toronto, Ottawa and Montreal, and at a small meeting of several of our citizens Mr. W. J. Dowler kindly consented to put himself into communication with those clubs, and upon the basis of the information received the Canadian club of Victoria was formed.

From the beginning it won the confidence and approval of our citizens. At your first annual meeting you appointed an executive of representative men who gave freely of their thought, ability and time to assist in making the club a success. Our board meeting were characterized not only by promptness in attendance, but also by promptness in the despatch of business. While the members of the club are due to each member of the executive I wish specially to mention the work done by Mr. Lugin, and Mr. Nelson through the press. It was simply invaluable. Mr. Clarke and Mr. Gibb gave unsparingly of their time to the work intrusted to them, and when we realize that both of these gentlemen, busy men, were constantly subjected to the interruption of their regular business in order to give information, or take action in club matters we feel that the thanks of the club are specially due to them also for their unselfish devotion to our interests.

Great Work of Club

We all realize that important part of our policy which aims to bring together men representing all creeds, all parties and all walks of life at a social function such as our mid-day luncheon. Here all differences are forgotten for the hour and we are free to discuss matters of general interest or to listen to an appeal to our patriotism and love of good government, or to information regarding the expansion of trade or commerce, or to other topics of the day. Here, too, we may have the opportunity of coming in touch with not only eminent Canadians, but with leaders of thought of all nations, for Victoria is on the highway of world travel and many famous men will pass this way who will be glad to meet with us and talk to us of subjects which they have made their life study.

In addition to the men of distinction mentioned in the report of our executive as having been entertained by us during the past year we had the good fortune to have with us on Monday last one of that remarkable group of imperial statesmen who are the great leaders in our national life—Sir Edgar Vincent. It is worth a great deal to have the opportunity to come into personal contact with such a man physically, mentally and morally, the very best type of the high class Briton, and to be inspired by an address that appeals so strongly to our love of country and to our manhood.

Ottawa Conference

On the 15th of last January in company with Hon. William Templeman and B. F. Nicholas I had the honor

of attending a conference of delegates from Canadian clubs of all Canada at Ottawa. The object of the conference was to obtain the co-operation of Canadian clubs in acquiring the battlefields of Quebec and in assisting to celebrate the Champlain tercentenary which has been termed the 300th birthday of Canada.

The proceedings of the conference and of the mass meeting held in the theatre at Ottawa are familiar to you through the press. While your delegates agreed with the general principal outlined they felt that it might be a good plan to broaden its scope so that the Federal government might feel justified in appointing a commission to act as sponsor for the whole project to make it national in name as well as in fact, and that the work of the commission might not be limited to the acquisition of the battlefields of Quebec alone, but that it might be empowered to secure and preserve other historical grounds in other parts of Canada.

An International Event

His excellency, Earl Grey, is intensely interested in the success of the project. He suggests that it be made not only a national, but an international event, and the probabilities are that his suggestion will prevail. He has expressed his appreciation of the ready response from British Columbia, of the prompt action of our Honorary President Lieutenant-Governor Dunsmuir, in being one of the first large subscribers to the fund, and of the good service that our premier the Hon. Richard McBride has already rendered.

Since the conference at Ottawa I have learned that it is the intention of the Dominion to appoint a Federal commission of which you will have notice through the press.

The report of our executive has already been submitted, and the report of our nominating committee acting under clause 6 section (c) of our constitution will be laid before you.

In conclusion I wish to direct your attention to the fact that much of our success was due to the promptness

also to the members of the club who honored me with the appointment of president for the past year. Your hearty co-operation and sympathy have been of the greatest assistance to me and have made the discharge of my duties as president a very great pleasure.

ARTHUR W. McCURDY.
Executive Report

The secretary, Frank I. Clark, read the report of the executive committee, which was as follows:

On the occasion of the second annual meeting of the Victoria Canadian club your executive takes the pleasure of congratulating you on the success so far achieved.

At its inception the aims and purposes of the club were far from being generally understood or appreciated, but the appreciation shown by the charter members soon roused the interest of the public, and in consequence many prominent men, representing all classes and interests in the community, applied for membership.

The club at its first annual meeting had eighty-five members, today there are two hundred and eighty-four members on the roll and many applications to be dealt with by this meeting.

From lack of proper accommodation for holding the club luncheons, canvassing for new members was not encouraged, the large increase in membership was, therefore, the result of a general recognition of the merits of the club's fundamental principles and a desire to participate in its work. The temporary disability under which the club suffered, in not being in a position to accept new members, is now happily removed by the opening of the Empress hotel where our luncheons may be held in the future.

From its first meeting, February 11, 1907, the proceedings of the executive have been marked by complete unanimity and harmony, every member doing his part cheerfully on all occasions, and without regard to personal convenience. The executive has held

held—"Modern Treatment of the Criminal"; Chief Justice Mullock—"British Columbia's Commercial Opportunities"; Hon. R. L. Borden—"Canadian Politics"; Mr. Rudyard Kipling—"Our Duty to the Empire."

The addresses delivered during the year proved very interesting to the club—their educational value was inestimable, especially to the younger members, and were greatly appreciated by all.

Two business luncheons, at which subjects of general interest were discussed, were well attended. At one of these, Mr. A. S. Barton delivered an eloquent address on "The Lesson of the Flag," in support of his resolution advocating the display of the Union Jack over our school-houses.

Honor Kuroki.

The club took steps to entertain Baron Kuroki and in consequence of its action the attention of the Dominion and provincial governments was called to the visit of this distinguished foreigner, and he was given an official reception befitting his rank.

Mr. J. W. Smith, president of the Hamilton Canadian Club, was entertained at an informal reception held in the Tourist Association rooms, Mr. Smith giving a brief history of the Hamilton club and its work.

The club lost two valued members by death during the year—J. W. Haskins and Frank H. Eaton, equally esteemed for their good qualities and loyalty to Canada.

Mr. W. T. Oliver, an honorary member, represented the club at the annual dinner of the Canadian Club of New York.

It appearing in press dispatches that Sir James A. Swettenham would tour Canada on his retirement from the governorship of Jamaica, he was invited to visit Victoria and address our club. The Canadian Clubs at Calgary, Winnipeg, Toronto, Montreal, Ottawa and St. John also sent invitations to Sir James, but his arrangements prevented his acceptance of them.

At the convention of Canadian Clubs recently held at Ottawa, to take steps for the preservation of the Plains of Abraham as a national park, the presi-

thanked by the club. He referred to articles of Miss Agnes Dean Cameron which had of late appeared in the Colonist and he felt that such good work should not be allowed to pass unrecognized by the club. Such writers do much to foster the growth of love of country. There were several gentlemen, members of the club, who had done much along these lines, who could give much valuable information, but apparently the club had never requested them to speak to the members. He called attention to the fact that recently Robert W. Service, the author of the "Songs of the Sourdough," was in the city, and he felt that he should have received some recognition from the Canadian club of Victoria. Mr. Jacobs suggested the advisability of the club holding evening meetings.

John Nelson pointed out that the advisability of holding evening meetings had been considered by the executive committee but it had been felt that for the first year, at least, it would hardly be wise to hold such meetings, that it was better to hold only mid-day luncheons and further evening sessions.

A. B. McNeil called attention to the resolution recently passed by the club that the national ensign should be flown over the schools. As the club was a purely Canadian organization he thought the Canadian flag should be used. He also favored evening meetings as he was sure there were many members of the club who simply could not attend the noon luncheons and some consideration should be shown them.

Not a Success.

Judge Lampman referred to a previous evening meeting, which had been held whereat the present president of the Canadian club of Hamilton, Ont., had spoken. The attendance was so small as to almost justify the club in holding no further evening sessions.

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RETIRING OFFICERS OF THE CANADIAN CLUB.
Back Row—A. S. Barton, A. J. Braze, J. Horlick McGregor, C. H. Lugin, A. McKenzie, W. J. Dowler, John Nelson, J. S. Gibbs.
Front Row—Frank I. Clark (Secretary), Judge Lampman, A. W. McCurdy (President), F. Napier Dennison.

that our members displayed in being in their seats at our luncheons precisely at 1 o'clock. Our success will be further assured if we can close our luncheons promptly at 2 o'clock. This, of course, depends upon the will of the gentlemen who speak to us, but when it becomes known that an address will be more appreciated if confined within the half hour I think we will have little difficulty on this score. Let us be prompt in beginning and prompt in ending our meetings.

I wish to express my thanks to the members of our executive who have always been so responsive in all matters in connection with our work, and

twelve meetings, at which, as a rule, there was a full attendance.

A National Movement

The Canadian club movement has assumed national importance, and is now recognized a prominent factor in the upbuilding of the Dominion. The Victoria club—one of the newest links welded to the chain which binds Canadians in brotherhood and united effort for the common good from the Atlantic to the Pacific, from Yukon to Mexico—has undertaken its part of the work in a spirit in which no thought of failure can harbor. Its chief aim is to help to lay the foundation in this last west of a fabric of Canadian homogeneity by educating foreign immigrants to accept the laws and customs of their adopted country, to teach them that the Union Jack stands for justice and liberty and that Canada, as a part and parcel of the British Empire, offers them all the rights and privileges enjoyed by the native born, only asking in return that they shall loyally uphold our laws and institutions.

The club's efforts in this direction have already taken shape. A resolution recommending that the national ensign shall be displayed every day from every school-house in British Columbia has been favorably considered by the government. Clubs in other provinces to which copies of the resolution were forwarded, have taken similar action, and before the close of 1908 it is hoped that the Union Jack will be flown from every school-house in Canada. This action of the club has been criticized in some quarters as a merely sentimental fad, but when it is considered that there are thousands of children of foreign parentage attending the public schools of Canada, the importance of instilling in their minds respect for our national emblem and what it signifies should be recognized.

Entertained Noted Men.

A resolution advocating a British, or distinctive type of uniform for the police forces throughout Canada, has also secured favorable recognition from our sister clubs, and it is confidently hoped will lead to a desirable reform in that direction.

During the year the club has had the honor of entertaining several men of distinction in various walks of life, and hearing their views on public questions of general interest. Among these were: Chief Justice Hunter—"Canadian Patriotism"; Mr. J. S. Denison—"The Building of the West"; Commissioner Coombs—"Immigration to Canada"; Inspector Arch-

dent and Hon. Wm. Templeman and Mr. B. C. Nicholas represented the Victoria club.

The financial standing of the club is satisfactory, as will be shown by the report of the honorary treasurer.

FRANK I. CLARK, Secretary.
A. W. McCURDY, President.
Victoria, February 19, 1908.

Financial Position Good.

The treasurer, J. S. Gibb, submitted a statement showing the financial operations of the club for the past year. The report showed that there is a cash balance on hand of \$169.69. In reference to the financial report Mr. Gibb stated that there was no duly appointed auditor and that his report had consequently not been audited, and he asked that auditors should be selected who would not only audit the next year's accounts but also examine those of the past year. He pointed out that some of the members who had joined the club in October last had had no opportunity of attending any of the luncheons and it had been decided to continue them on the membership roll for this year. Mr. Gibb's report was as follows:

| Receipts. | |
|--------------------------------|----------|
| 255 members paid up at \$2.00. | \$510.00 |
| Proceeds lunch tickets sold | 364.50 |
| | \$874.50 |
| Expenditures. | |
| Paid for lunches | \$467.40 |
| Complimentary tickets issued | 23.00 |
| Stationery and printing | 163.91 |
| Honorarium to secretary | 50.00 |
| Sundry (telegram) | .50 |
| | \$704.81 |
| Balance, cash on hand | \$169.69 |

The above reports with one or two necessary amendments were adopted as read, but not before several of the members took occasion to make some suggestions.

Offers suggestions.

E. Jacobs stated that while he did not wish to be considered as at all criticizing the reports, yet he thought that in view of the fact that the club was supposed to exist for the purpose of fostering the growth of patriotism and encouraging the study of the institutions, history, arts and literature of Canada, the work of the past year had hardly been up to the standard aimed at. He asked what had been done to encourage the study of Canadian literature and called the attention to valuable articles which have been contributed by several well known Canadian writers who had never been

Mr. McCurdy stated that when he was in Ottawa he met a number of delegates from several of the Canadian clubs of the Dominion, and he found that all these clubs have abandoned the idea of evening sessions, which had been found to be but very thinly attended, unless it was made a big affair, such as a banquet.

It was finally decided to leave this question of evening meetings for the consideration of the executive committee.

The proposal to amend the constitution so that the offices of secretary and treasurer should be amalgamated and filled by one person, was shortly discussed and adopted.

Sub-section "c" of section 5 of the constitution was, after considerable discussion, amended to read: "No one shall be a member in good standing until he shall have paid his annual fee, such fee being due and payable on or before the annual meeting; or participate in any luncheon or other entertainment given by the club."

Many New Members.

The names of a large number of new members were submitted and passed upon, with the result that the following are now members of the club:

M. McC. Crawford, James Thompson, T. Drysdale Velth, Thomas C. Wasson, E. C. B. Balgshave, William Russell, E. S. Smith, Lewis A. Finch, W. Carland Foster, T. M. Sturgess, George L. Courtney, D. A. Fraser, E. A. E. Kent, W. R. Findlay, W. M. Joel, Cyril H. Ormond, James McKenzie, John T. Deville, Hy Brethour, W. A. Turner, Capt. J. G. Cox, W. Rosen, George D. Walsh.

Mr. McCurdy explained that William Jessop, the secretary of the Y. M. C. A. at Washington, D. C., had been a resident of Victoria in his youth, and had asked Mr. McCurdy, when the latter was in Washington, to have his name put up for membership. Mr.

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Membership Applications.

Some discussion took place on the question of the advisability of the executive committee being empowered to pass on applications for membership. The constitution provides for the names being passed upon by a meeting of the club, but very often it happened that many desired to join in order to attend some luncheon whereat a noted man is to speak, and it was impossible to get a meeting of the club beforehand. It was proposed to change the constitution, but a week's notice will have to be given. Mr. McCurdy stated that the executive committee had passed upon a number of names, though no doubt such action was clearly against the constitution of the club. Judge Lampman suggested that a special committee be appointed to consider an amendment to the constitution, but finally a notice of motion was given to the effect that a special meeting should be called and the constitution be amended, so that applications for membership could be passed upon by the executive committee, after having been duly approved by two members of the club in good standing. It was while the discussion on this question of the constitution was being held that it was pointed out that the constitution of the club had been violated in another direction, in that the annual meeting was not being held on the first Wednesday in the month.

Election of Officers.

The election of officers resulted as suggested in the report of the nominating committee, with the exception that the executive committee was balloted for as two nominations were made in addition to those contained in the report. The officers for the ensuing year are:

Honorary president—Hon. James Dunsmuir, lieutenant-governor of British Columbia.

President—Mr. Justice Lampman.

First vice-president—A. E. McPhillips, K. C., M. P. P.

Second vice-president—Canon Beauland.

Secretary-treasurer—Frank I. Clark.

Literary correspondent—James H. Lawson, Jr.

Executive committee—James Forman, J. W. Jones, Luke Pither, D. Stole, R. B. Taylor, Major Walsh and T. W. Paterson, A. B. Fraser and B. C. Mess were appointed auditors.

Amid much applause Mr. McCurdy was tendered a hearty vote of thanks on motion of H. Dallas Helmcken, K. C., and as he vacated the chair, Judge Lampman took it, the latter warmly greeted. Mr. McCurdy thanked the members, and declared that the office of president of the Canadian club of Victoria had been a very pleasant one, and he was glad to see the great progress the club is making and which, he was sure, it would continue to make.

Mr. McCurdy moved a vote of thanks to the press which, he stated, had done much to make the success of the club what it had been.

Solving a Difficulty.

Judge Lampman expressed his thanks for the honor done him, and he trusted that he would be able to keep up to the pace set by his predecessor in the office of president. He referred to the several mistakes which had been made last year in violating the

constitution of the club, and laughingly remarked that perhaps it would be a wise thing if, in some manner, the constitution could be lost.

Canon Beauland also thanked the members for electing him to the vice-presidency of the club. He hoped that the present year would see the club prosper even more than it had in the past twelve months.

It was decided that at the Paardeberg Day celebration, not only the Victoria members of the Canadian corps which fought in the South African campaign, but every Canadian who served with the colors through that campaign, now residing in Victoria or vicinity, should be invited to be present at the banquet. Mr. Helmcken declared that all such men who had fought for their country certainly were entitled to every consideration and honor, and the club should extend such to them. All those who can will be expected to appear in khaki. All the members of the legislature have been invited to be present, and Hon. D. M. Eberts, speaker of the house, has consented to give the oration of the day.

THERE ARE OTHERS

Local Hen is Not to Retain Her Record in the Matter of Laying

Police Constable Wood is not to have the honor of possessing the only hen which ever accomplished the seemingly impossible feat of laying an egg within an egg. The account of the Brahman prowess, as published in the Colonist of Wednesday last, wherein it was stated that Constable Wood's hen had laid an extraordinarily large egg, which on being broken was found to contain another perfect egg, has brought out the fact that other hens have done as well. Edwin Covey has sent to the Colonist a clipping taken from the Overseas edition of the Daily Mail, which states that "an egg measuring nine inches in length and weighing six ounces, with another perfect egg inside, has been laid by a hen at Skipton, Yorkshire."

The True Sweet Shrub.

Unless in some old garden, it is almost impossible to procure the true sweet shrub, *Calycanthus floridus*. The one common everywhere nowadays, which has been and still is sold by many for the true sweet shrub, is *Calycanthus laevigatus*. Were it not that it lacks the odor of the true sort it would make no difference, for it forms a shapely shrub, blooms freely and is hardy. But the odor of the flowers, though not lacking, is not nearly as pronounced as in those of the true floridus. When one is offered a lot of *Calycanthus* seed or seedlings as *Calycanthus floridus* he may be sure it is not true, for the latter rarely seeds, while the less worthy one, *Calycanthus laevigatus*, seeds freely.

The true one is propagated by root cuttings and by layers chiefly, and it is such a desirable shrub that it would be well worth increasing largely by those to whom a quantity of roots is accessible. Cut in small lengths, and placed in bottom heat in a greenhouse in late winter should see a supply of young plants by the time to set out stock in spring.—*Florists' Exchange.*

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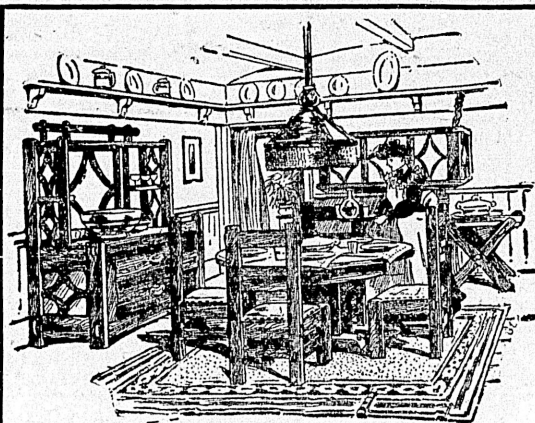
have stood the test for the past 30 years, and are reputed for their excellent baking qualities, as well as being ornamental, and are manufactured in the City of Victoria. Thus by buying one you get it direct from the factory. Another feature is that duplicate parts can always be obtained in quick order.



Spring Newness in Our Men's Clothing Department

Our showing of moderately-priced Men's Clothing for Spring wear is most comprehensive, and are all up to the minute mark. Long experience in handling Men's Ready-to-wear Apparel puts us in a position to supply the wants of the most fastidious dresser, and by coming here you are assured of extra satisfaction. We have created a most exacting standard for our department of apparel for men. To desire a real good, tasty suit of clothes is not a sign of weakness, rather it is an indication of personal pride and character. A well-groomed man evokes favorable comment always, and human nature is just vain enough to like it. Our Spring Suits inspire confidence because they are correct. They are cut correctly, tailored perfectly and fit accurately, and it will require but a few moments for us to settle the Spring Suit question. See the ones ranging in prices from—

\$8.75 to \$12.50



Furniture Bargains for Friday

Our February Furniture Sale, which is merrily going along, still offers a multitude of excellent money-saving opportunities, and we are listing in today's ad. some very special values in Mission Dining-room Furniture. This class of Furniture is rapidly growing in popularity, and deservedly so. It is simple in outline, restful, artistic and thoroughly practical, while the finish harmonizes with any color scheme you may desire. The workmanship put into these pieces from the "arts and crafts" is the best, while the prices quoted here are decidedly low.

Early English Sideboard, Reg. \$100 for \$80

EARLY ENGLISH SIDEBBOARD, with full size base surmounted with two leaded glass cabinets affixed to back, British bevel plate mirror at back. Regular value \$100.00, for **\$80.00**

Early English Buffet, Regular \$60 for \$48

EARLY ENGLISH BUFFET, with three-quarter cabinet base and long leaded glass cabinet above top. British beveled plate mirror. Regular value \$60.00, for **\$48.00**

Early English China Cabinet, Reg. \$30 for \$24

EARLY ENGLISH CHINA CABINET, with square ends and leaded glass top, panels in door and sides, 4-grooved shelves. Regular value was \$30.00, for **\$24.00**

Mission Dining Room Suites

These Suites consist of one buffet, one dining table, one china closet and one serving table, made of best selected ash and very nicely finished in early English style, and are exceptionally stirring values, which will no doubt move quickly. The prices for tomorrow are as follows:

Regular \$60.00. Tomorrow for **\$45**
Regular \$69.00. Tomorrow for **\$49**
Regular \$82.00. Tomorrow for **\$64**

Large and Varied Stock of Boys' Clothing

The section devoted to Boys' Clothing is a well filled place. Goods from the most reliable makers are to be found here in choice array and mothers will do well to come in and inspect the many splendid lines before purchasing elsewhere. Made of the most favored materials and at prices you'll be glad to pay. Boys' Norfolk Suits in tweeds and worsteds from **\$2.75**

Some Great Underpricings in Office Furniture

Roll Top Desk. Regular Value \$45. Special Tomorrow \$36

ROLL TOP DESK, made of birch, mahogany finish, has deep base and fitting cabinets, has two pedestals, contains 4 drawers each. Regular value of this fine desk was \$45.00. Special tomorrow at **\$36.00**

Flat Top Desk. Regular Value \$17. Special Tomorrow \$13.50

This is a splendid Desk for the money we are offering it at. It is made of solid oak, well finished, and should leave the store in quick order. The regular value was \$17, but for tomorrow it is marked at **\$13.50**

Flat Top Desk. Regular \$14 for \$11.50

Flat Top Office Desk, made of selected elm, well finished and which we venture to say cannot be duplicated elsewhere for the same price. The regular price of this piece of furniture was \$14.00. Specially priced for tomorrow at **\$11.50**

Splendid Range of Spring Head Dress

awaits you here. We have just received and have on show a splendid range of Stetson's famous Soft and Stiff Hats. Both will be worn this Spring and both are here in perfection. Stetson Hats are too widely known for their splendid wearing qualities and up to the minute styles to bear much comment. But in our showing will be found hats to suit all faces and priced so as to meet all purses, up from **\$4.00**

Runners and Squares at 90c

Tomorrow we are placing on sale a splendid assortment of Runners and Squares. These are made of Muslin and Applique. Size of Runners are 18 x 72 and Squares are 36 x 36. Specially priced for tomorrow at **90c**

Men's Socks—3 Pairs for 50c

A splendid line of Men's Heavy Woolen Socks go on sale tomorrow at a very enticing figure. These are in grey and brown and it is safe to say that they will clear quickly at this enticing price. Special for tomorrow, 3 pairs for **50c**

The Tell-Tale Milk Jugs at 25c

This is just the kind of jug which you need, is marked in measurements of half pint, 1 pint, 1 1-2 pints and one quart. Short measure is next to impossible when using one of these jugs, and which is specially priced at **25c**

Men's Trousers \$2.00 to \$1.00

A specially strong line of Men's Pants go on sale tomorrow at special prices. These are all mostly in tweeds and will no doubt interest every man who wishes a good pair of pants at a small price. Special for tomorrow, \$2.00 and **\$1.00**

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